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SERBIA WILL BE FREED BY ALLIES

King George Assures King Peter Complete Independence is Goal

AUSTRIA'S OFFER TO MONTENEGRIN GOVT.

Friendly Relations Between French and Greeks on Island of Corfu

Salonica, Jan. 17.—King George V. has wired King Peter of Serbia as follows:

"I am fully convinced that the allies, with the heroic Serbian army, are now in a position to win back for your people complete independence and to secure final victory."

Athens, Jan. 17.—King Peter of Serbia, traveling on a French warship, has gone from Salonica to Aedeos, on the island of Euboea, in the Aegean Sea, where he will take a cure.

Brindisi, Jan. 17.—Forty members of the Serbian government have arrived here from Scutari, Albania, accompanied by diplomats of the allied powers accredited to King Peter.

Austria's Offer.

Rome, Jan. 17.—Austria-Hungary, according to a press dispatch from Athens, is reported to have offered a separate peace to Montenegro on the following terms:

"Austria to agree to guarantee Montenegro all territorial rights in Scutari, Albania, in exchange for the cession of Mount Lovchen to Austria."

Official announcement was made by the Montenegrin authorities on Saturday that Montenegro had not adhered and had no intention of adhering to any separate proposal of peace or to any armistice with Austria-Hungary.

At Corfu.

Corfu, Jan. 17.—The French are here, but their presence cannot be described as an occupation in the military sense. The civil and administrative life of the island proceeds as heretofore. The Greek officials occupy their usual posts and carry out their customary duties without hindrance on the part of the French.

Very friendly relations exist between the Greek officers, the French consul and the French officers and men. All possibility of disagreeable incidents has been removed, the French carefully avoiding hurting Greek susceptibilities.

Berlin, Jan. 17.—The Austro-Hungarian government has entered a verbal protest with the American ambassador at Vienna, F. C. Penfield, against the occupation by French and British detachments of the island of Corfu.

BRITISH IN MEXICO MUST BE PROTECTED

British Govt. Has Made Its Attitude Plain to United States

Washington, Jan. 17.—Great Britain is expected to suggest again to the United States that unless foreigners are protected in Mexico, the European nations will be compelled to consider steps to protect their own interests.

This is believed to be the real reason why the British embassy has followed the example of the United States in ordering all British subjects from Northern Mexico.

The British government notified the United States a week ago that any Mexican government recognized by the United States must be compelled to give adequate protection to all foreigners. It is expected that Britain will demand an indemnity for the loss of British lives and property in Mexico.

SPANISH SHIP SUNK; TWENTY-THREE SAVED

London, Jan. 17.—The Spanish steamship Belgica has been sunk. Twenty-three members of the crew were saved.

Russian Forces Are Driving Back Turks on Caucasus Front

Berlin, Jan. 17.—After delaying for a week the advance of strong Russian forces in the Caucasus, the Turks have withdrawn their advanced posts several miles at some points, according to the Turkish official statement of today, received here from Constantinople.

WAS PAID BEFORE HE BLEW UP BRIDGE

Werner Horn Received Cheque for \$700 From Capt. von Papen

THIS PROVED BY PAPERS SEIZED BY THE BRITISH

London, Jan. 17.—It is declared unofficially that the cheque stubs seized among the papers of Captain von Papen, the recalled military attaché of the German embassy in Washington, show that the cheque for \$700 paid to Werner Horn was dated before Horn dynamited the C. P. R. bridge between Vanceboro, Maine, and the New Brunswick side.

The Daily Chronicle, in an editorial on the von Papen case and the disclosures, says:

"It is fair to assume that the evidence is only a very small sample of what came into our hands at Falmouth. The wonder is that a professional plotter like von Papen let us find any at all."

"Such as it is, it is sensational enough. Here was a diplomatic official, accredited to a neutral country and enjoying diplomatic privileges, who used these privileges as a screen behind which he not only organized espionage and promoted breaches of neutrality at the expense of belligerents, but suborned dynamite outrages at the expense of the neutral country itself."

"It must be remembered that these disclosures are merely decisive corroborations of a presumption which had grown overwhelming as to the existence of German plots in the United States to commit outrages by arson and dynamite."

The Times says that while the letters seized from James F. J. Archibald, the American correspondent whom Dr. Dumba used as a messenger, did not contain proof that any members of the Austrian or German embassies were directly concerned in the promotion of outrages, "the evidence of such connection would seem to be afforded by the von Papen documents."

WILL COME UP IN THE HOUSE SHORTLY

Movement for Nation-Wide Prohibition Engaging Attention at Ottawa

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—The proposed measure to extend the life of the present parliament for a year appears to be overshadowed in parliamentary circles by the move for national prohibition. Every one believes that an agreement will be reached with regard to the extension. If there is some difference of opinion it is as to when it should be put through—whether at the beginning or towards the close of the session.

The move for nation-wide prohibition, however, opens up possibilities for speculation which are engrossing the attention of the members. All the members of the house of commons heard to-day from the committee of the league of citizens which is pressing the matter. Individually the majority of the members seem to be inclined to vote in favor of prohibition, but what the official attitude of the government and the opposition will be in regard to the matter remains to be seen. Doubtless the matter will form the subject of a debate at an early date.

In a letter to the secretary of the league committee, Sir George Foster says:

"I am quite sure that whenever it is absolutely manifest that the people of Canada desire this action, public men will be found ready to coincide with and carry out their wishes."

Sir George agrees that a great saving would be effected if the people of Canada during the war were to decide to do away with expenditure on intoxicating liquors.

FIRST AID IN THE TRENCHES



The idea that the surgeons of the Army Medical Corps wait in hospitals in the rear of the fighting front to give first aid to wounded men is disproved by the above picture, which shows a British doctor attending to a badly wounded man right in the trenches before sending him to a field hospital.

RUSSIANS GAINING ON CAUCASUS FRONT

Over 400 Turks, Guns and Quantity of Supplies Were Captured

GERMANS HELPING TURKS IN PERSIA

Petrograd, Jan. 17.—The following official statement was given out last night:

"Caucasus front.—In the course of the fighting on January 14 we captured 20 Turkish officers and more than 400 men, a quantity of war and engineering materials and provisions, one heavy gun and several other guns and eight machine guns."

"Persia.—In the fighting at Kangavar we took many prisoners. The enemy abandoned many dead on the battlefield. Our losses were insignificant."

"Southeast of Hamadan we drove back toward Daulatabad a detachment consisting of Turks and Germans."

CANADIANS INVESTED BY THE KING TO-DAY

London, Jan. 17.—The following were invested with decorations by the king at Buckingham Palace to-day:

Companion of the Order of the Bath: Major-General Carson.

Companions of the Order of St. Michael and St. George: Brigadier-General McDougall, Surgeon-General Carleton Jones and Col. Godfrey Matthews.

Companion of the Distinguished Service Order: Major Norton Griffiths.

Royal Red Cross: Miss Margaret Macdonald.

MRS. PANKHURST WILL WORK IN UNITED STATES

Washington, Jan. 17.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the suffragette leader, now on parole in New York under the immigration authorities, will be formally admitted to the United States soon after the papers in her case reach Washington. President Wilson is opposed to her exclusion. Mrs. Pankhurst is working in behalf of the Serbian relief movement.

WARD ONE LIBERALS

The annual meeting of the Ward One Liberal Association will be held this evening in the Liberal Rooms, Jeune Block, Cornorant street, at 8 o'clock, when officers will be elected.

Members and all electors desiring to join the association are asked to be present.

URGES A ZONE IN NORTHERN MEXICO

Oklahoma Senator Would Have American and Mexican Soldiers Patrol It

Washington, Jan. 17.—The establishment of a neutral zone in Northern Mexico, to be patrolled jointly by the forces of Mexico and the United States, unless disorders are speedily controlled, is proposed in a resolution introduced to-day by Senator Gore, Democrat, of Oklahoma.

Concentration of Americans at Torreon, Monterey and other points where greater protection was reported to the state department to-day by Consul-General Hanna at Monterey. He said that 60 Americans and others employed by the Penoles Mining company near Mapinal, north of Torreon, had arrived safely at Monterey. With them were a few from Asarco. Americans who have been on the property of the Tlahualilo plantation in the Laguna district are at Torreon and Lerdo, a suburb.

Carranza in Earnest.

Mr. Hanna advised the department of the dispatch of Carranza reinforcements from Monterey to Torreon, adding that "the Carranza government is earnest in its efforts to improve conditions and to prevent further assaults on Americans. Good order here is maintained."

Consul Stillman reported from Queretaro the receipt of a telegram from Gen. Trevino to Carranza, notifying him of the capture and execution of General Jose Rodriguez and Carlos Amaya, Villa leaders, on January 13. General Trevino assured Carranza that the "sterner measures will be adopted against all Villistas who are considered bandits."

Assured by Authorities.

Evidence collected at El Paso by state department agents indicate that the Carranza authorities at Chihuahua assured C. R. Watson, head of the party of Americans killed at Santa Ysabel, that no escort was necessary. With that opinion many of the Americans agreed, although they had suggested to the authorities the advisability of sending troops with the party.

The advice further stated that the Carranza governor of Chihuahua had given Watson a personal passport and that the Carranza immigration authorities at Juarez had given a general passport for the whole Watson party. These developments are taken to point to the responsibility of the Carranza government for not adequately protecting the Americans.

Hours Overdue.

"El Paso, Jan. 17.—One hundred and fifty Americans, en route from Parral to Juarez, are hours overdue. Communication between Parral and Juarez is poor and much apprehension is felt for their safety."

Typhus, which originated in Mexico City, has spread to the north and one death was reported to-day in El Paso. That Governor Esteban Cantu will be deposed as governor of Lower California this week, and that the Tia Juana race track will be closed, was the news contained in official dispatches received here last night by Andres Garcia, Carranza consul.

REPORTED TWO MORE AMERICANS MURDERED

El Paso, Jan. 17.—Albert Simonds, of Los Angeles, and Victor Hamilton, of Chicago, have been murdered by Mexicans, according to advices received here this afternoon.

BOILERMAKERS ARE SUPPORTING BILL

Railway Employees Opposed; Controversy Over Military Service in Labor Circles

WILL BE NO STRIKE, SAYS LONDON NEWS

London, Jan. 17.—A tremendous controversy on the compulsion bill is raging in the labor camp.

J. H. Thomas, M. P., a leading official of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, has had much to do with swinging the railwaymen against compulsion. Mr. Thomas formerly was a Swindon engineer, who won his spurs in the local town council, became a power in the trades unions and reached parliament. He is illiterate, having worked hard from early boyhood, but is simple, sincere and eloquent. Everyone admits his disinterestedness, straightforwardness and ability.

Formerly in labor disputes he restrained the hot-heads, risking his position and popularity and time and again stopping unauthorized railway strikes. Much depends upon his counsel and advice. Some hot-heads undoubtedly are advising a general strike in reply to the military service bill. There is no reason, however, to suppose this policy will even be considered by the majority of the men.

Boilermakers in Line.

The boilermakers are supporting compulsion. Their secretary, John Hill, in his monthly note says that right up to the introduction of the measure, he fought compulsion in any shape or form, but the views of the union members from the shops came as a surprise to him. Their trade does not make for eloquence, he says, "but it was made abundantly apparent that our members realized we were in the midst of a life and death struggle for which they had suspended their cherished rules and customs and were toiling to the full limit of their strength for the equipment of our forces. They thought of their brothers and sons who had left good jobs and comfortable homes for the wet trenches, wounds and death, and they have firmly and definitely said that these sacrifices shall not be made in vain. So at our conference we decided to support the measure of compulsion for fit single men who are hanging back, provided we obtain adequate representation for labor on the local munitions tribunal."

This seems to represent the view of the vast majority of the working men. The Daily News, discussing the resolute compulsion by every means in their power, dismisses the possibility of a strike. It declares that the people must make the best of the bill now that the principle has been accepted by parliament, but it urges modifications.

BELGIAN STEAMSHIP ON FIRE AT SEA; CALLS

Vigo, Spain, Jan. 17.—A wireless call for help has been received from the Belgian steamship Lillee, which reports she is on fire 195 miles off this port.

Maritime registers mention no ship named Lillee.

STATES NEW PLAN WILL BE FOLLOWED

Each Battalion Will Recruit to Strength of Two or Three

MAJOR-GENERAL HUGHES MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT

Many New Battalions Offered but Dearth of Competent Officers

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—While hundreds of offers are being received from all parts of the Dominion for the raising of battalions, Major-General Sir Sam Hughes states that at present there is a dearth of competent and efficient officers to command such units, and that until such times as the needed officers can be trained properly, the battalions at present in existence will be permitted to recruit, beyond their normal strength up to a second or even a third battalion each. Afterwards these battalions can be organized properly under competent heads trained efficiently at the new schools which are to be established throughout the Dominion.

"We want to know who is who before we make appointments or permit the raising of battalions under new auspices," said Major-General Hughes to-day.

Sixty-nine Returned.

St. John, N. B., Jan. 17.—The C. P. R. liner Missanabie arrived in port at an early hour this morning from Liverpool with 268 passengers, including 69 returned officers and men. Shortly after 7 o'clock the steamship docked at West St. John and the soldiers disembarked, 62 leaving by train for Quebec and seven remaining at the local discharge station.

DRIVE BACK ENEMY AND TOOK TRENCHES

Italians Turned Austrian Attack Near Gorizia Into Success for Themselves

Rome, Jan. 17.—The following official communication was issued last night:

"Between the Sarca and Adige valleys on Friday, after a lively artillery action, an enemy detachment attempted to approach our positions at the mouth of the Cresta valley, but was immediately repulsed. One of our detachments has occupied the little island in Lake Diloiplo."

"On the same day our artillery caused an explosion in one of the enemy's munitions depots in the region of Ombratta, and dispersed an enemy column ascending the Ravi road."

"On the heights northwest of Gorizia the intense bombardment of Friday was followed in the night by an attack in force on our positions between the Pucchio Torrent and Olaviva. Although at first repulsed, the enemy renewed his attack a second time with greater force and succeeded in penetrating some of our trenches between Hill 133 and Olaviva."

"The following morning, however, we drove back the enemy beyond Olaviva and occupied the trenches east of that village, capturing arms, munitions and many prisoners."

"Enemy aeroplanes dropped bombs on Feltré, causing no loss of life and but slight damage."

SEVERAL MAY HAVE LOST THEIR LIVES

Departmental Store in Brandon Destroyed by Fire; Some Unaccounted For

Brandon, Jan. 17.—Fire this morning totally consumed the block occupied by Doug, Rankin and Robertson, Miss Matthews, Miss Watson, Miss Evans and Miss Mary Galbraith, employees, were injured by being burned and at one o'clock the following had not been accounted for:

Miss Egerton and Miss McCort, dressmakers in the alteration department, and C. Walker, head of the house furnishings department. The safety of other employees is questioned, as they have not been found.

The property loss is estimated at \$300,000, well covered by insurance. The fire started about 9 o'clock with such suddenness that some of the clerks had to jump from the windows. The cause is unknown, but spontaneous combustion is suggested.

AYLMER'S FORCES NEAR KUT-EL-AMARA

Turks Have Been Driven to Within Six Miles of That Point

POSITIONS AT WADDI CARRIED ON SATURDAY

Reinforcements Soon Will Join General Townshend's Army in Mesopotamia

London, Jan. 17.—Announcement was made in the house of commons to-day that the Turkish forces in Mesopotamia between General Aylmer's forces and Kut-El-Amara have fallen back to within six miles of Kut-El-Amara.

The announcement was made by Rt. Hon. J. Austen Chamberlain, secretary for India, who said the Turks had retreated as the result of another British victory. The Turkish positions at Waddi, he said, were carried on Saturday by the British.

Aylmer's Force Attacked.

London, Jan. 16.—The Turkish forces which occupied positions on both banks of the river Tigris at a point 35 miles south of Kut-El-Amara, in Mesopotamia, are retreating, according to an announcement made to-day by the official press bureau.

The war-office states that after hard fighting the Turks began to withdraw on January 13 and 14, and that they are being closely pressed by British troops under command of General Aylmer.

The Turks in retreat along the Tigris are those who have been holding back the British column proceeding up the river to the relief of the British force at Kut-El-Amara, which is commanded by General Townshend. The text of the statement follows:

"After their defeat on January 9-11, the Turkish forces opposing General Aylmer retired to a position across the Tigris at Orake, 35 miles down stream from Kut-El-Amara."

"General Aylmer attacked the position on January 13, hard fighting continuing until nightfall."

"During the days of January 13 and 14, the enemy began to retire and is being closely pressed on the east and north by the British forces."

SAY MONTENEGRINS ARRANGING PEACE

Austrians Claim King Nicholas's Government Engaged in Negotiations Now

Berlin, Jan. 17.—The king and the government of Montenegro on January 13 asked a cessation of hostilities and the opening of peace negotiations. It was announced officially to-day at the Austro-Hungarian headquarters.

The Austro-Hungarian government replied to Montenegro that peace negotiations were possible only if the Montenegro army unconditionally laid down its arms, the headquarters statement as received here from Vienna says. Yesterday the Montenegro government accepted the Austrian conditions, according to the statement.

THE KING OF NORWAY HAS GONE TO BERGEN

Bergen, Jan. 17.—King Haakon of Norway, accompanied by the members of his staff, arrived here to-day to view the ravages of the fire which destroyed about one third of the city. His majesty has taken personal charge of the relief work.

The fire damage was estimated to-day at \$5,000,000. Three thousand people are homeless. Martial law has been declared.

While no fatalities were caused directly by the fire, 23 children and 17 men and women rose to death before reaching shelter. Seven trainloads of clothing and supplies were en route here to-day from Christiania.

MAY BE CHANGES IN ITALIAN CABINET

Rome, Jan. 17.—As a result of the situation in Montenegro changes in the Italian cabinet are reported as possible.

It is now known that King Victor Emmanuel came to Rome from the Italian-Austrian front as a result of the developments in Montenegro. The failure of Italy to send help to the Montenegrins is blamed by the press for the fall of Mount Lovchen and the entry of the Austrians into Cetina.

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125 OFFICERS AT THE HOLYPORT CAMP

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Most of the prisoners have their quarters in the large building of the Holyport Army Preparatory school, but with an increase in their numbers it has been necessary to supplement this with temporary wooden structures built in the school yard. The chief school building was erected by Charles II as a residence for his favorite, Nell Gwynne. It has been restored for school purposes, and while architecturally ugly in appearance, forms a comfortable roomy building for its present use.

Three Acres.

The temporary huts are built close about the main building and the whole group, which does not occupy more than three acres, is surrounded by a fence in the form of barbed-wire entanglements. The commandant of the prison and his assistants are quartered in a large brick residence at the gateway of the school grounds which probably served as a lodge when the place was used as a country home. The company of soldiers guarding the prisoners occupies the stables and laundries of the school. These quarters are in the rear of the barbed-wire enclosure, which is entirely devoted to the quarters of the imprisoned officers and their orderlies.

OUTSTRIP GERMAN WITH INVENTIONS

Allies Have Made Great Strides,
Says Marconi; Future
Warfare

Rome, Jan. 17.—Guglielmo Marconi is back in Rome after an absence of five months in England and at the front in France and Flanders. He declared to a press representative that the advantage with which the Germans began the war, on account of their greater scientific equipment, has been entirely overcome by the allies. This, he said, has been due to the prompt and efficient mobilization of the men of science and inventive genius in the countries of the allies.

In the course of further remarks he made the statement that, despite the marvelous development of machinery for the purposes of warfare, future land battles will be determined in the final resort, by hand to hand conflict with cold steel.

It is rumored in military circles that in recognition of the very distinguished services he has already rendered to the nation, Signor Marconi, who soon after war was declared against Austria entered the Italian army with a rank of sub-lieutenant in the engineering arm, will be given the rank of colonel, with a public acknowledgment of the nation's gratitude.

Scientific Preparation.

To the press representative Signor Marconi said: "Science undoubtedly was one of the principal factors in the successes obtained by the Germans. We were genuinely surprised at the scientific preparation of the armies of the kaiser, but now in this regard we are at least equally strong."

"Let us consider in detail the German scientific inventions. First of all comes the asphyxiating gases. This barbarous invention surprised us all at the beginning, but it is no secret now that the allies have the wherewith to reply in kind to the Germans."

"In aviation, contrary to what had been expected, the Germans also showed their preparations had been on a most efficient scale. They had very fine machines and exceedingly clever pilots. By prompt and energetic action the allies soon caught up to them and now surpass them in this respect, a fact proved by bombardments of German towns."

"Another surprise with regard to air machines was the fact that very large air craft were put in the field at the beginning of the war equipped with wireless telegraph apparatus of a new kind. The French, however, captured a few of these machines; the secret became common property and the benefit which the Germans expected from their invention in this regard was frustrated."

Not a Brilliant Showing.

"On the sea Germany did not make a brilliant showing, apart from the use of a submarine which proved to be of exceptional construction. Their special value was due to the use of the Diesel internal combustion engine, but the allies are struggling victoriously in this field and also are accomplishing wonders."

"In the beginning of the war the Germans had a heavy artillery which was superior to that of the allies. At present the conditions are just the opposite. During my recent trips along the French front I found everywhere that the French batteries have the upper hand over the Krupp guns."

"In the matter of wireless stations also the Germans are inferior to the allies. The most powerful station of all is one now established in England. "Every day the allies are adding little scientific improvements of a most useful kind and in great numbers for wireless purposes. I cannot speak of them, because it is necessary to keep our secrets. I may say, however, that the Germans, who have remarkably well equipped workshops and laboratories, are in a position to replace all their damaged parts, but the allies, daily making new scientific progress, already are on a par with their adversaries and soon will have left them behind."

Signor Marconi said that undoubtedly the war of to-morrow will be much more scientific than the present one. Machinery for destruction would grow enormous in size, fantastic in conception and extraordinary in results. One of the most remarkable developments at present in this regard concerned the torpedo.

The Air Torpedo.

Inventors were working on a method of directing marine torpedoes from a distance. This was difficult, but not impossible. It was even reported that a captain of engineers had invented a torpedo to operate in the air for the purpose of attacking Zeppelins.

This, however, Signor Marconi said, was but a small matter. In his opinion the greatest surprise is being reserved for the use of electricity, which so far has not been employed as a weapon of destruction.

"Some inventors," he said, "are working on the theory that battles of the future will be fought without rifles, artillery and shells. Personally, I do not think it practicable, but of course theoretically it is possible."

"If we could find apparatus capable of producing electric waves powerful enough to produce explosions at a distance we then undoubtedly would see extraordinary sights, such as many modern inventors tell us we are destined to see—the blowing up of battleships at sea, the causing of shells to explode inside the guns and even the cartridges in the soldiers' belts. That would bring us back to hand to hand fighting."

Hand to Hand.

Signor Marconi stated that fighting in the last resort, and despite the inventors, will be hand to hand, with

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When the party of neutral correspondents arrived to inspect the camp the prisoners were preparing to leave the house for the eighteen-acre athletic field. Twice weekly the prisoners are compelled to seek this field, where they take whatever form of exercise they desire. Every day the prisoners have the privilege of using the field for two and one-half hours, but the half-hour period twice weekly is compulsory. In the summer the tennis courts were in almost constant use, but this form of sport at which the Germans were particularly keen, has now ceased on account of the weather. Football and hockey are played now, with the officers' prison orderlies taking a lively interest in the first-named game, at which they have become quite adept.

Two Groups. A few minutes before the arrival of the recreation hour, an armed patrol is stationed about the wire fence which encloses the field. The officers then stroll from the house in groups through the main gate of the prison and down a lane between a row of sentries to the field. Later their orderlies appear under escort of an armed guard. The groups that reach the field remain intact, and according to the British officers in charge, this same grouping takes place within the prison. Differences of rank and social position are sharply accentuated and only broken down in the event of a general celebration of some sort. Among the prisoners are a number of navy officers and the cleavage between the army and navy is particularly apparent in the relations of the officers.

The visit of the neutral correspondents to the camp was made on a wintry afternoon when the vivid and picturesque uniforms of the officers gave a touch of color to the dismal surroundings. The presence among the officers of so many brilliant garrison uniforms is accounted for by the fact that whenever a German reserve officer was seized from a ship on route to Germany, he was permitted to send home for his uniform. The officers actually captured in action wear the usual German field grey uniform, while the naval officers, most of whom were captured at the battle of the Falkland Islands, wear blue uniforms which differ little in appearance from those of their captors.

Bath Tubs

While the officers were in the recreation ground the visitors were conducted through their quarters. The bathing department is well equipped with bath tubs from the school, which while hardly man's size, are plentifully supplied with hot water. During the summer the officers had the use of the school swimming tank, but as there is no means of heating the water, the winter compelled them to give up this pleasure.

The ground floor of the house contains several large rooms used as smoking and lounging rooms by the officers, but these are seldom occupied, as the prisoners seem to prefer the small sitting rooms which they have partitioned off from their bedrooms by the use of screens. The second and third floors are given up to bedrooms, in which from one to six officers sleep. Besides the open grate, heated with coal, each room has one or more coal oil stoves, and with every window closed these rooms, stifling to the visitors, who had become accustomed to the inadequate heating of English houses. The bedrooms are furnished with very comfortable beds, each of which is covered with a clean bedspread. Some of the naval prisoners have equipped their rooms like the staterooms of a warship, with one bunk above another. Most of the rooms are ornamented with attractive prints, many of which are the handiwork of the lodgers. Some of the prisoners have improved the dull wall paper by using their bright colored bedspreads as tapestry wall covering. Among the prints are many pictures of German national figures.

Huts Comfortable

The quarters in the temporary wooden huts within the enclosure are equally comfortable. In the basement of the building are the kitchens, dining rooms, school room and dispensary. The officers, who are paid a few cents more than a dollar a day, conduct their own commissariat, which costs them about 50 cents daily. The resulting menu, provided by a typical looking chef, is varied and sustaining.

Within the wire enclosure the prisoners are left alone, for, except on the occasion of visits of inspection, no British uniforms are ever seen within the gates.

The prisoners number 125 army and navy officers, with 52 enlisted men as servant orderlies.

HOUSE IN ALBERNI DAMAGED BY FIRE

Alberni, Jan. 17.—Fire broke out in the residence occupied by C. Gale, a barber here, and owned by H. E. Fitzgerald, of Chicago. The fire broke out at about 10 o'clock, and the fire chief, Mr. Forrester, made a quick run, considering the depth of snow on the ground, to the scene of the blaze and soon had it under control. The fire was caused by a defective chimney and damage was done to the extent of about \$100. It is understood that the loss is covered by insurance.

Five more of the young men of this district left for Victoria and Vancouver last week for the purpose of enlisting. Two have joined the 10th Battalion, one the 15th, one the 16th and one the Royal Canadian Engineers.

CAPTAIN OF OLYMPIC HONORED BY FRANCE

Paris, Jan. 17.—The French government has awarded a gold medal to Captain Bertram F. Hayes, of the British liner Olympic, for his courage in rescuing at the risk of losing his own ship and crew of the French steamship Provincia, sunk by an Austrian submarine on Oct. 4, 1915, off the island of Corfu, south of Greece.

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GREEK CHAMBER TO MEET JAN. 24; NEW PRESIDENT

Paris, Jan. 17.—A Havas dispatch from Athens says it is considered certain that when the chamber of deputies assembles on January 24, M. Michalidaki, minister of public instructions and public works, will be the sole candidate for the presidency.

THE NAVY'S SALUTE FOR GENERAL BOTHA



The picture shows a coming British star, only three years old as yet, paying his compliments to the Prime Minister of South Africa in Cape Town.

ALLIED GOVERNMENTS

EQUALLY TO BLAME

Italian Minister Says Situation In Montenegro Result of Poor Programme

Padua, Italy, Jan. 17.—Signor Barzilai, cabinet minister without portfolio, in an address here yesterday, speaking apparently for the government, declared that it was useless to attribute to Italy responsibility for the taking of Mount Lovchen by the Austrians and the situation in Montenegro. As in the case of the loss of Serbia, he said, the blame was collective and the result of the allies' ineffective programme.

"Our enemies," the minister says, "find salvation in silent servile obedience imposed by one man. We should have foreseen this work because of the uncertainties inherent in a league of free peoples."

"There is no ground for the charge that Italy is responsible for the errors of last June. To prepare for the protection of a country without frontiers before hostilities were pressing was the common task. In the future this order of argument will not be profitable and the governments making use of it to excuse failures will not merit nor receive pardon from their peoples."

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—The following casualties have been announced:

First Battalion—Died Jan. 5: Pte. Geo. Norman Drake, Monthill, Ont. (formerly 35th).

Third Battalion—Suffering from shock: Sgt. Frederick E. Slater, Belleville, Ont.

Killed in action, Dec. 29: Pte. Edward Eddy, England.

Third Battalion—Unofficially reported died while prisoner of war: Pte. Chas. P. Holyoke, P. Holyoke, England (formerly 40th).

Fourth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. J. M. Hazell, England (formerly 43rd).

Slightly wounded: Pte. Roger Alfred Benton, Innisfail, Alta. (formerly 51st).

Fifth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. F. Wm. Boyer, Tacoma, Wash.; Pte. John Henry Baugh, England.

Seventh Battalion—Wounded: Pte. Jos. Glover, 2nd B. D., England (formerly 47th); Pte. Geo. V. Amiel, Vancouver (formerly 47th); Pte. Jos. Duncombe, Vancouver (formerly 47th).

Eighth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. S. Jameson, Sunderland, Eng. (formerly 11th).

Seriously ill: Pte. A. Smyth, Sherbrooke, Que.

Tenth Battalion—Killed in action, Dec. 20: Pte. W. S. Garbutt, Vancouver (formerly 4th).

Twelfth Battalion—Accidentally killed on railway, Jan. 14: Pte. James Watson, Scotland (formerly 4th).

Fourteenth Battalion—Seriously ill: Pte. Damosse Arsenault, Eel River, N. B. (formerly 55th).

Sixteenth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. A. John Ferguson, Moose Jaw, Sask.

Severely wounded: Pte. N. B. Francis, England (formerly mechanical transport); Pte. Wm. H. Meredith, England (formerly 42nd).

Eighteenth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. Macleod, Fredericton, N. B.

Twenty-second Battalion—Wounded: Pte. G. Dugay, Campbellton, N. B.

Twenty-fourth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. F. Wm. Shaw, Montreal; Pte. John Macleod, Scotland.

Twenty-fifth Battalion—Wounded: Lance-Corpl. Bert Mathewson, Woods Harbor, N. S.

Twenty-sixth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. Wm. Hamilton Golden, St. John, N. B.

Died of wounds, Jan. 7: Pte. L. G. Seeley, St. John, N. B.

Thirty-first Battalion—Died of wounds: Pte. Oliver Deech, England.

Wounded: Pte. J. Munro, McAlpine, Scotland; Corpl. Walter Jenkins, England; Pte. C. C. Warden, J. Harvey, P. Smith, England.

Second Divisional Ammunition Column—Died: Bomb. John Henry Osapman, England (formerly 2nd).

Royal Canadian Regiment—Accidentally killed by bursting of blind grenade, Jan. 5: Pte. H. Wilson, Scotland.

Second Divisional Signal Corps: Died of wounds, Jan. 7: Sapper Frederick Wm. Naylor, England.

Cavalry Depot—Seriously ill: Pte. Robert Hearst, Toronto (formerly 4th C. M. R.).

Royal Canadian Horse Artillery—Previously reported seriously ill; now well and with unit: Driver Thos. Wm. Dawson, Montreal.

Third Field Company Canadian Engineers—Wounded: Sapper Arthur Bird, Westboro, Ont.

LANSING ASKS EXPERTS TO LEND ASSISTANCE

Washington, Jan. 17.—Announcement is made that Secretary Lansing has taken steps to obtain the views of experts in international law on the rights of neutral nations for his guidance in handling the problems of the United States. The secretary of state has asked the American Institute of International Law, composed of eminent publicists of each of the 29 American republics, to appoint a committee to study the subject "with the definite purpose of protecting the liberty of neutrals from unjustifiable restrictions," and "endless burdens."

ONE-THIRD OF BERGEN DESTROYED BY FIRE

Christiania, Jan. 17.—One-third of the city of Bergen, a Norwegian port on the North Sea, with a population of 50,000, was destroyed by fire of Saturday night. Two lives were lost and 2,000 persons are homeless. The property damage is estimated at \$15,000,000.

PEOPLE WILL NOT

SWALLOW BAIT AGAIN

Pretences of Bowser Govt. Pierced, Says J. W. deB Farris in Vancouver

Vancouver, Jan. 17.—Terrible in the extreme have been the working conditions and the treatment of the coal miners on Vancouver Island and elsewhere in the province and the responsibility is wholly on the government, according to a scathing address delivered last night by J. W. deB Farris before the People's Forum at the labor temple.

In connection with his duties for the labor organization, Mr. Farris said, he had been engaged on Vancouver Island and he had seen some things as they exist on that island. As a result of his experiences in a professional capacity, he believed he had a message to deliver. His remarks were in connection with the attitude of the government toward the miners. He made his charge, brought out the facts and then summed up the evidence.

Not Safeguarded.

The charge was that the miners had been treated unfairly, life had not been safeguarded and there was a secret understanding between the government and the mine-owners. This was a menace, he said.

In conclusion, Mr. Farris asked if he had not proven his case. To justify his speaking on Sunday, he took a text: "By their works ye shall know them." Mr. Bowser, he said, had refused to speak on Sunday. The government was to come before the people again and already was offering bait.

The government would offer more bait, but he did not think the public would swallow it this time.

RUSSIAN FORCES ARE ATTACKING IN CAUCASUS

Constantinople, Jan. 17.—An official statement given out last night declared the Turks had repulsed fresh attacks in the renewed Russian offensive on the Caucasus front. The statement said:

On the Caucasus front, the enemy repeated his fierce attacks in the sector to the south of the Araks river as far as the Kardach mountains. All attacks were successfully repulsed, the Russians suffering terrible losses.

Dardanelles front: A hostile ship on Friday unsuccessfully shelled Seddul Bahr. Our seaplanes dropped bombs on ships of the enemy off Mudros, island of Lemnos.

The value of the booty captured by the Turkish forces now amounts to at least 12,000,000.

CANADIAN FORCES NOT IN BIG ACTION

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—Major-General Sir Robert Borden received a cable from London stating that the losses of the Canadian corps on Jan. 13 were 7 killed and 13 wounded, and on the following day 4 killed and 13 wounded. The alarming messages received on Saturday, stating that the Canadians had taken part in a violent action and had suffered heavy losses, apparently were based on the casualty lists for the month, which by mistake were taken for the list for one day.

A cable from General Carson to Sir Sam Hughes said there was no truth in the dispatches telling of the Canadians having been in a big fight and having suffered heavy casualties.

BULGARIAN TROOPS HAVE NOT SUFFICIENT FOOD

Paris, Jan. 17.—The Bulgarian troops at Givrevli and Dolran are suffering greatly from lack of food, according to information published by the newspaper Patria, of Athens, and forwarded by the Havas correspondent. As the road from the Demir-Kapou is destroyed, the Bulgarians are obliged to transport provisions from Vele to Givrevli by mule or on foot.

A squadron of French aeroplanes, according to the same correspondent, bombed the Bulgarian camp at 5 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, causing several fires.

BATHING PARADE ON A TROOPSHIP



Soldiers sent from the Motherland to Egypt fell in their letters of the pleasure with which a certain part of the proceedings on board during the voyage is greeted by the men. It is not long after the sailors start to rig the huge canvas above the deck until the men, or at least as many of them as can find room, are dispersing themselves in the big bath. The hosepipe makes an excellent spray for a shower.

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STALEMATE IS IMPOSSIBLE.

Not a few observers, especially in neutral countries, predict that the war will end in a stalemate on land. They point out, however, that on sea the allies have won a victory which becomes more decisive every day. If they reflected for a few minutes they would realize that the two conditions are hopelessly irreconcilable. There can be no deadlock on land if the allies remain supreme on sea. There is only one war and one great war theatre, in which the sea force is simply an extension of the land force. Obviously the side in this struggle which can hold its own on land for the present and maintain absolute mastery on sea is in an immeasurably better position than the side which can do no more than hold its own with its army in the decisive zones but has been driven from the sea. If there were no intimate relation between the two elements it would be more difficult to estimate the situation, but as it is, predictions of an indefinite continuation of existing conditions on land are nonsensical.

There can be no permanent deadlock in the case of a nation or alliance of nations in a state of siege any more than in the case of a beleaguered city with a weakening garrison surrounded by a hostile army that is constantly becoming stronger. Sooner or later, unless some outside help strong enough to raise the siege comes, the place must capitulate. In either case there can be no stalemate. All sieges, if persisted in, must end in a complete victory for the besiegers. The central empires are absolutely and hopelessly besieged. This could not have happened if the operations were confined to land only or if they were supreme at sea. If they had superior sea power they would be the besiegers instead of the besieged, and it would be the allies who would have to succumb. How, then, with the vital interrelation between military activities on land and sea can this war end in anything but complete victory for the besieging side?

For a war with armies only, Germany and Austria are admirably situated. Alongside of one another, they hold interior positions and are under one supreme command. In the beginning of the war they could concentrate their whole strength at any given point with the utmost facility. They improved their natural advantages by establishing a network of railways and convenient mobilization and supply bases which they thought would enable them to deal France a staggering blow while Austria held slowly mobilizing Russia, and then divert the bulk of their strength to the eastern front and with their ally's help strike their ponderous enemy to his knees. This plan, plus German supremacy at sea, would have succeeded, for France would have been assailed from two directions instead of from one. It failed because Great Britain intervened in the war and confined the German onslaught to an attack by land only. It was Germany's only chance of victory; failure involved her in a siege which cannot now be raised and to which, therefore, there can be but one end. Thus Germany's geographical situation which was a great natural advantage in a short war on land has become a source of fatal weakness in a prolonged struggle with an enemy supreme on the sea and whose military power remains intact.

In a siege the proportionate losses of the besieged always must be greater than those of the besiegers. To hold the positions they must make sorties, and every attack by them reduces their number of fighting men. Thus the Austrians made numerous sorties beyond their lines at Przemysl; the Belgians made frequent incursions out of the Antwerp defences. The central empires on a larger scale made a costly sortie on

the east and are making another on the south. Before long they will have to deliver a third attack in the west. They must do this to try to break the siege at best and at worst to disarrange the plans of their enemy for a simultaneous attack against them from all sides. But all the time the defending lines are growing thinner while the besieging nations, with superior resources in men and with the sea and the productive and financial wealth of the world open to them, are becoming stronger.

The Teutonic lines are now far-flung beyond the outer boundaries of their fortress. They have exhausted their reserves and some day along that two thousand mile front, there will be a breach and the entire line must retreat under great difficulties or it will be rolled up. Nobody knows this better than the German government, whose desperate attempts to negotiate separate peace treaties, to beguile the enemy into opening his ranks on one side or the other, meanwhile assuring the German people that they are "victorious," tell their own story. Back of it all are the gaunt spectres of misery and destitution and serious internal dissensions which are familiar factors in all sieges. These conditions also must react upon the army when it learns of them, weakening its morale and making it indifferent towards the future. Could Germany snatch the command of the sea the pressure would be raised at once and impending defeat would be changed into absolute, decisive victory. How, then, with the allies in command of the sea can there be a stalemate in any aspect of the war?

THE GRAND DUKE STRIKES.

Important developments have begun in the Caucasus. Berlin reports a Russian offensive on a front of a hundred miles and adds that the Turks after holding back the enemy for six months have retired from their advanced positions. As a matter of fact the Russians have made no serious attempt to advance at any other time during the last half year. Evidently they have been preparing for the campaign which, if Teutonic and Turkish reports are correct, is now being opened. From the time the Grand Duke Nicholas was transferred to the Caucasus it has been evident that very important operations would be initiated there. Undoubtedly he has been organizing a large army with ample resources with the object of forcing Turkey's rear door. This is a most important campaign which, with the British advance up the Tigris and the Russian movement in Persia, gives an outline of the programme the allies seem to have mapped out for the south-eastern theatre. It apparently is the intention finally to link these three campaigns together in a final common advance into the heart of Asia Minor.

WHAT IS THE REASON?

According to the Portland Oregonian, lumber mills on the Columbia River and on Puget Sound are bidding on an order for 200,000,000 feet for the French government. The arrangement made by France with the San Francisco brokers provides that the lumber be delivered f. o. b. at the mills, the French authorities to furnish transportation. The business will amount to \$2,500,000. This is the second order within three months from the allied governments, the first being placed with the Southern Pine Manufacturers. The Oregonian adds that the allied countries have a number of vessels in reserve that can be used in delivering orders of this kind in time of emergency. Last October the Portland Lumberman gave the names and sailing dates of vessels chartered by the British admiralty to carry lumber from the Pacific coast states. The ships mentioned were the Corfu, Prophet, Rio Pirahy, Riverdale and Strathbeg. They sailed at various dates between September 18 and October 4. Others no doubt have left since that time.

If the British and French governments can furnish tonnage for carrying lumber from the Pacific Coast states to Europe, why cannot they furnish transportation from British Columbia mills? Either there is some arrangement between London and San Francisco brokers which discriminates against British Columbia lumber manufacturers or the American mills are quoting prices that are regarded by the purchasers as more satisfactory. In any case it is the business of the Canadian representatives in London to ascertain the trouble. If London brokers are in league with San Francisco brokers, to the detriment of British Columbia mills the provincial government should enter a complaint with the authorities in London and France. Some months ago we were told to the extent of many columns that Sir Richard McBride had negotiated "most successfully" with the allied governments in this respect. The orders, however, continue to go to the American mills, the buyers providing the transportation. There must be more than insufficiency of tonnage behind our failure to get a share of this business.

What is it?

THE USUAL BLASPHEMY.

The capture of Mount Lovchen from the Montenegrins by the Austro-German army is attributed by Wilhelm of Germany, Francis Joseph of Austria and Frederick August of Saxony to the valor of the Teutonic armies plus the assistance of their Divine ally. The messages which passed between this precious trio culminated in the usual symphony of blasphemy. Wilhelm's message was not so absolute in tone as the others. He would not go farther than the opinion that "God obviously has helped." No messages from Ferdinand of Bulgaria or Enver Pasha were published, but the testimony of two such competent authorities that Providence was heart and soul with the modern holy alliance certainly will be forthcoming and no doubt published. It is altogether in accord with the fitness of things that the assassin of a million Armenians and the murderer of Stambuloff should agree with the butchers of Belgium, Serbia, the Lusitania, Persia, Ancona, Scarborough and Edith Cavell that God aided them in their campaign to crush the life out of little Montenegro.

May we inquire how much longer Messrs. Plumeret, Tisdall and Campbell are going to retain their cabinet positions without ascertaining if the public are satisfied to have them there? It is now a month since they were sworn in and it was anticipated then that writs for bye-elections would be issued without delay. No word or sign as to Mr. Bowser's intentions has come from Kamloops. Evidently he has not made up his mind whether it would be safer to have a general election at once or a bye-election. The Liberals are ready for either course and the longer the Premier hesitates the greater becomes their confidence that they can defeat the three new ministers. A government supporter makes the stupid suggestion that the opposition fear bye-elections. If Mr. Bowser thought that, writs would have been issued long ago. He can easily satisfy himself on the point by taking the plunge.

Germany again is complaining bitterly of the illegal and inhumane attempt of Great Britain to starve her civilian population. She prefers her own particular methods of slaughtering as many non-combatants as she can, inflicting unnamable outrages upon the remainder, robbing and looting from them and then leaving them to die of hunger and privation. Then the Kaiser and his illustrious allies survey their works and fervently exclaim, "Verily, God is with us!"

Hudson Maxim, an American inventor, says the United States should prepare itself for trouble with either Great Britain or Germany after the war. Certainly, if Germany won this struggle the United States would soon have a pretty fight on its hands. As for Great Britain, a clash between her and the republic is about as likely as a collision between Halley's comet and the earth.

We have an amendment to offer to our recent statement that children and dogs thoroughly enjoyed the week or so of winter which is nearing its end. The fuel men also experienced a brief period of enjoyment. It is a long time since their resources were so thoroughly taxed.

Billy Sunday, who calls himself an evangelist, addressing a meeting in a New York suburb which was attended by a number of "society" people, said if he were God for fifteen minutes he would raise hell. Billy must be jealous of the Kaiser.

First Horseman—"Pulling, is he? Why don't you try riding him on the curb?" Second Horseman—"Hide him on the curb? Good heavens, I can't scarcely ride 'im in the middle of the road."

As the world's heart of red and wrath, Its painful pulse is in the sands, Last utterly, the whole sky stands, Gray and not known, along its path. —D. Rosetti.

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New York World.

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Of the 2,828,383 unmarried and married men who in a little more than six weeks presented themselves about 2,135,000 were enlisted for future service. Over 215,000—nearly five army corps—enlisted immediately, and allowance must be made for those rejected and others engaged in special classes of work for the government. "Kitcheners' army" probably exceeded 1,500,000 men when Lord Derby started his campaign for recruits the last week in October. Since then Great Britain has added 2,300,000 volunteers to the number of its enrolled forces. With nearly 5,000,000 men, at the front, in training or subject to call, it has an army larger than it is able to equip on short order and evidently beyond the capacity of its generals to handle in the field.

On the outcome of Lord Derby's campaign, it was declared in advance, would depend the issue of compulsory service. A shortage of recruits is no longer the critical question. The principle of volunteer enlistments has been justified by Great Britain's experience. But Premier Asquith pledged the government to draw on the unmarried men, physically fit, before calling to the colors the married men. If resources are had to a modified form of conscription, it will be forced into the national service the young men who have held back while over 1,600,000 married men offered themselves.

THE SEA LIMIT.

Consider the sea's limitless chime; Time's self it is, made audible— The murmur of the death's own shell. Secret continuance sublime. Is the sea's end: our sight may pass No furlong further. Since time was, This sound hath told the lapse of time. No quiet, which is death's—its bath The mournfulness of ancient life, Endless always about strife. As the world's heart of red and wrath, Its painful pulse is in the sands, Last utterly, the whole sky stands, Gray and not known, along its path. —D. Rosetti.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, January 17, 1991.

The new sash and door factory at Rock Bay is nearing completion and will be ready for the spring trade.

The old C. P. N. office on the wharf, which was built by the Hudson's Bay company for the gold fields traffic, is to be removed, to make room for a modern building. It has long since become moss grown.

The new mayor and council will be sworn into office before the chief justice on Monday next.

Captain Charles Thorne is in town looking up some of his old friends. As he leaves for Puget Sound to-night he will not be able to see all of them. It was Captain Thorne who commanded the Californian, and it was he who brought the Yosemite here. He has not been in Victoria for eight years.



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Annual Birthday Meeting—The annual birthday meeting of the Sherwood auxiliary will be held to-morrow at the home of Mrs. Alex Wilson, 1428 Gladstone avenue, at 3 p.m. All members and friends are requested to be present.

Will Install Officers.—Camp Court "Far West" No. 275, Independent Order of Foresters will meet on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Evans, 1045 Burdett avenue. The special business will be the installation of officers for 1916.

Social Dance—Court Camosun A.O.F. will hold a social dance in conjunction with their regular meeting on Tuesday evening, to which the officers and members of other courts are cordially invited.

Occupants of Stores.—The three stores burnt down at Saanich in the fire of Friday night were occupied by Ware Bros., J. Pear and Mr. Young respectively, and not by J. P. Adams as previously stated. Mr. Adams is the owner of all the properties.

Acknowledge Contributions.—The committee of management of the W. C. T. U. home, 14a street, acknowledge with thanks the gifts made to the home during the Christmas season by the following: City council, Hon James Dumas, Mrs. Munroe, Mrs. McTavish, Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Frank Grant, A. Friend, Mrs. Penderay, Mrs. W. C. Wilson, Mrs. Horner, Bella Coala union, Silverton union, and Creston union. The committee also wishes to thank the kind lady who provided the bountiful supply of good things for the Christmas dinner which was greatly enjoyed by the inmates of the home.

Show Cards, W. Blake, phone 3868, 1424 Government St.

Phoenix Beer—2 qts. for 25c

South End W. C. T. U.—A meeting of the South End W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. Davidson 146 Moss street, on Wednesday at 3 p.m.

W. A. to Missions.—The St. John's branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to Missions will hold its regular meeting in the guild room on Tuesday afternoon at 2.30.

Welsh Society.—The regular monthly meeting of the Cymroderion society will be held in the board room, Belmont block, opposite the post office on Thursday next at 8 o'clock.

Purple Star Lodge.—Purple Star Lodge, No. 104, L. O. E. A., will hold their regular meeting in the Orange hall, Yates street, on Wednesday at 7.30.

Work for Soldiers.—The Britannia Mines & Smelting Company, Howe Sound, has requested the North Shore committee of the Returned Soldiers' Aid Committee to furnish the company with particulars of the employment required by soldiers returning from the war. Where possible, it is the intention of the company to employ returned soldiers at the mines.

Cabinet at Work.—The provincial executive today begins the consideration of a preparation, as a series of sub-committees, of the matters of shipbuilding, retrenchment at the colony farm at Esquimalt, financing of the University of B. C. and aid to uncompleted railways, which were referred to them by the premier before he left for Kamloops.

By-law is Repealed.—There were only forty-three votes cast in the poll at Oak Bay, on Saturday, on the repeal of the water by-law, in order to prepare the way for the new water rates by-law to become effective at the beginning of next month. Of the few who voted there were thirty-two in favor of the repeal, ten against and one ballot was spoiled.

Launch Raffle Begins.—Tickets may be secured for the raffle of the twin-screw motor launch Tanna, given recently by John Arbuthnot for disposal by the local branch of the Red Cross Society for the benefit of its funds, at the Red Cross Superfluous rooms, Belmont House; the Red Cross rooms, Temple Building; and Morris' and Hartley's tobacco stands. The launch is valued at \$15,000, and tickets are being sold at \$1.00 each.

Prof. Odium to Lecture.—The secretary of the local branch of the Imperial British-Israel association has just received word from Prof. Odium that he will give a lecture here before starting out on another world tour, during which he will lecture in many places in Canada and the United States, Great Britain and Ireland, Australia and Japan. His visit here is in response to the earnest solicitation of his many friends, the date of which will be announced later.

Lecture on Ruskin.—On Tuesday evening, at 8 o'clock, the Rev. Robert Connell, the rector of St. Saviour's church, will give an address on "John Ruskin," at the First Congregational church, under the auspices of the "Men's Own" Literary society. John Ruskin's trenchant utterances on the social disorder of his time as well as his great ability as author and art critic form excellent material for a lecture and a pleasant and instructive evening is anticipated.

Seattle Water Supply.—The report of City Engineer Dimock on the extension of the water supply for Seattle, in which he recommends a concrete aqueduct for the conveyance of the supply in place of wood stave pipe, shows the effect of the investigation made here, as elsewhere on the Coast, into the use of concrete for the conduit line. Both the city engineer and Supt. Young were visitors to Sooke waterworks last fall.

Chapters for Week.—The following chapters will be in charge of the I. O. O. F. headquarters for the month, under the newly-arranged schedule: First and third Monday, Florence Nightingale; second and fourth Monday, Camosun; first and third Tuesday, Willows Camp Chapter; second and fourth Tuesday, Lady Douglas; second and fourth Wednesday, Equusalt; Thursdays, Municipal; first and third Friday, Navy League; second and fourth Friday, Agnes Deans Cameron; first Saturday, Municipal secretary; second Saturday, Sunshine; third, Rainbow; fourth, Daisy Chain.

Successful Candidates.—The following are the successful candidates of Dr. Hudson's Home Nursing class, examined by Dr. C. D. Holmes: Mesdames Barnack, Beedham, Bridgman, Greenwell, Errington, Gilbert, Hilton, Holmes, McIntyre, Ward, Van Donge; the Misses, Alice Barker, Gwendydd Bridgman, Yvonne Cox, Virtue Errington, Vina Fanny Fawcett, Winifred Freeman, Louise Fullerton, Dorothy Frampton, Edna Henry, Doris and Marjorie Holmes, Mary Hughes, Helen Newcombe, Kate Orwin, Mabel Parkes, Kitty Smith, Helen Gordon Stewart, Dorothy Twist and Gertrude M. Walker.

Draft By-law is Ready.—The new Early Closing by-law has been drafted and copies will be forwarded from the city solicitor's office shortly to the Retail Merchants' Association, and the Retail Employees' Organization for an opinion. It does not embrace everything asked for by the two bodies, because additional legislation would be necessary to give effect to the representations for the inclusion of exempt trades under the statute, but it goes as far as the present law permits. It is designed to meet the objections against the by-law at present on the books, the value of which has been depreciated by a recent magisterial ruling.

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4 lbs. for.....	25c	Pure Lard.....	45c
Brown Beans.....	25c	St. Charles or Canada First Milk.....	25c
5 lbs. for.....	25c	3 large tins.....	25c
No. 1 Japan Rice.....	25c	Genuine Ashcroft Potatoes, 100 lbs. for.....	\$1.25
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People's Prohibition Movement.—A meeting will be held in the Baptist church, corner of Douglas street and Roderick street, on Tuesday evening. Canvassers will be appointed for all districts of Ward II, Saanich.

Invited to Seattle.—The Seattle branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers has invited City Engineer Rust to visit the sound at the end of this month, and deliver an address to the society on Sooke waterworks.

Fifth Regiment Band.—There was a fairly big and very appreciative audience at the concert given last evening at the Royal Victoria theatre under the auspices of the Fifth Regiment band. The assisting soloists were Miss G. Watson and Sgt. Harry Morden. The latter was the first to sing, and received a hearty encore for that as for his second number, "Somewhere a Voice is Calling," very sympathetically rendered. As an encore for this the popular basso sang Nevin's "Rosary."

Miss Watson's song was "Keep the Home Fires Burning," receiving a double encore, her first being "Canada for Empire," with band accompaniment. Bandman Halsey gave a very fine rendering of Hartmann's "The Return," on the cornet. The band was at its best in Tavan's overture to "La Fée aux Petites," received by the audience with great enthusiasm, and Douglas' arrangement of "Songs of Ireland," was another favorite selection. The Oriental intermezzo, "Arabian Nights," by King, was next to the last number on the programme, and won great praise.

Planets and Comets.—Continuing his series of lectures under the auspices of the Royal Astronomical society (Victoria Centre) F. Napier Denison to-morrow night at the Girls' Central school will speak of "Planets, Comets and Meteors." The lecture will commence at 8 o'clock, and is open to teachers in the city and students at the Normal school as well as to members of the Astronomical society.

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Reception Hard Wheat Flour, 49 lb. sacks	\$1.59	Roman Meal, per pkg.	28¢
Royal Standard Flour, 49 lb. sacks	\$1.65	No. 1 Japan Rice, 4 lbs.	25¢
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F. L. Randel, of Nanaimo, is at the Dominion hotel.

James Bennett, of Winnipeg, is at the Dominion hotel.

John Rogers, of Spokane, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

J. N. Henderson, of Kinley, Sask., is at the Dominion hotel.

J. P. Miller Cranks, of Westholm, is registered at the Strathcona.

Dr. Wm. Redmond, of Vancouver, is staying at the Strathcona.

C. J. McDonald, Vancouver, is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

Lieut. S. B. Barnes, from Fernie, is staying at the Dominion hotel.

H. C. Merritt, of St. John, N. B., is staying at the Dominion hotel.

Mrs. Henderson, of Cranford, Man., is staying at the Dominion hotel.

John H. Boyle, of Regina, Sask., is staying at the Strathcona hotel.

H. J. Redaif, of Helena, Mont., arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

Basil S. Courtney, of Toronto, registered at the Empress hotel yesterday.

Mrs. Sydney Kerr, of Gull Lake, Sask., is staying at the Empress hotel.

J. Pollard and Mrs. Pollard, of Clinton, B. C., are guests of the Dominion hotel.

E. P. Dale and Mrs. Dale, of Vancouver, are staying at the Dominion hotel.

J. P. Bell and Mrs. Bell, of Edmonton, are new arrivals at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Bredt, of Calgary, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

Geo. W. Milliken and Mrs. Milliken, of Sinden, Man., are stopping at the Dominion hotel.

Mrs. A. Henry and Mrs. R. Spencer, of Vancouver, are registered at the Strathcona hotel.

Mrs. W. O. Wright and children, of Regina, Sask., are staying at the Strathcona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hastie, of Vancouver, were among yesterday's arrivals at the Empress hotel.

J. Birch, Mrs. Birch and Robert Kingston are visitors from Regina who registered at the Dominion hotel yesterday.

Arrivals from Montreal at the Strathcona are: Harry Lester, Sid Rogers, E. Fortune, F. Watts, James Raymond and E. Wallace.

Rev. Canon Hinchcliffe, who has been incumbent of St. Thomas church, Chilliwack, for the past six years, has announced to his congregation his intention of resigning at Easter.

A party from Hamiota, Man., is registered at the Dominion hotel, comprising James Park and Mrs. Park, Geo. Henderson and Mrs. Henderson, and Mrs. Coulbeck.

At St. Augustine's church, Eburne, Rev. W. H. E. Battershill, on Wednesday evening, January 5, united in marriage Miss Margaret Marsden, of Eburne, and Mr. Wm. McKinnon Ivel, of Victoria. Owing to the recent death of the bride's brother the wedding was quietly celebrated.

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CANADIAN GIRL GUIDES.

No. 1 (Camosun) company will drill at St. John's school on Tuesday evening, with No. 2 (Lady Douglas) company till further notice.

No. 2 (Lady Douglas) company, Capt. H. Leighton. Drill at St. John's Sunday school on Tuesday evening at 7 p. m.

No. 4 (Gonzales) company, Capt. E. Roberts. There will be no drill of this company this week.

No. 5 company, drill at Oaklands school on Monday evening at 7 p. m.

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It is curious to note the old sea-margins of human thought. Each succeeding century reveals some new mystery; we build where monsters used to hide themselves.—Longfellow.

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MEETING ON WEDNESDAY

City School Board Will Hold First Session on Wednesday; Selection of Chairman.

The first meeting of the city school board will be held on Wednesday evening, when a chairman will be named. It is not expected that there will be any change made. The committees will then be appointed, the chairmanship of one of the principal ones, that of buildings and grounds, being vacant.

Some arrangement will be necessary with regard to the grounds at Margaret Jenkins school, as from its location difficulty has arisen in getting rid of the surplus water. The question of improving the grounds at Victoria West school also will be before the board at an early date.

The estimates have to be ready for submission to the city council by February 1, and probably some attempt to prude them will be made as a result of the recent expression of opinion by the ratepayers.

SEARCHING FOR GOLD

Bank of Montreal Advised That Some of New Westminster Loot is Still Hidden.

That \$26,000 in gold and \$25,000 in bank bills, both representing part of the loot taken from the Bank of Montreal vaults in the famous robbery at New Westminster in the spring of 1911, when \$271,000 was stolen, lies buried within ten miles of Vancouver, is the information which has reached the officials of the bank. Acting on instructions—the district—in which the hidden treasure is said to be is being thoroughly gone over by Vancouver police parties.

The place where the booty is said to be buried is on the route of flight taken by the robbers after the "job" was pulled off. The story of how it was learned that it was hidden there will be disclosed when further developments, which will be of an interesting and sensational character, if they materialize, have taken place.

For the present, the inside history of how the discovery of the fact that the gold and bills are buried in the district cannot be disclosed.

DEATH RATE KEEPS LOW IN VICTORIA

In Spite of Indigency Figures Show Only 7.86 Per Thousand of Population

The death rate for the city of Victoria for the year 1915 will be reported, when the annual report of the city health officer is tabled shortly, as 7.86 per thousand, as against 6.673 per thousand in 1914.

Dr. G. A. B. Hall, the city health officer, says this figure is an exceptionally low one considering the financial conditions generally, because with poverty disease always has an easier mark for its victims. The passage through Victoria of a large number of people from the international exposition at San Francisco was also feared as a possible cause of infection, but no prejudicial results followed.

The figures this year are based on a population of 50,000, those of last year were figured on a population basis of 55,000. In 1913 the death rate was 7.23 per thousand, on a basis of 60,000 population.

The best feature of this year has been the freedom from zymotic diseases. Only about twenty city cases have been treated at the isolation hospital, a few others coming from the surrounding country and neighboring municipalities. The cost of operating the institution continues to show that decrease in expenditure which Dr. Hall has striven to secure for a considerable time.

The figures of the cases at the Royal Jubilee hospital have not yet been completed, but they will show that watchful care has been exercised in keeping the number of days of stay down to the least possible figure. There continue to be chronic cases in the hospital which ought to be treated elsewhere, but which the city finds it cheaper to maintain in the central institution. Last year the cost was about \$1,000 a month for these indigent cases.

With regard to the milk inspection difficulty, owing to the government officials not issuing certificates of freedom from contagious diseases of the cows supplying milk for city consumption, the medical health officer will suggest the inspection shall be continued by the city officials. Whatever happens, the licensing system for dairies gives, in his opinion, a control over milk supply which is of the greatest value.

SWORN IN TO-DAY

Saanich Council Proceeds to Business; Road Work Tied Up by Snow Drifts.

The members of the Saanich council were sworn in this afternoon before Andrew Strachan, J. P., and then set down to the first statutory meeting of the year.

At the time of going to press it was not clear what arrangements would be made with regard to the chairmanships of the standing committees, which were to be appointed at the meeting, but it was the intention of the reeve to offer the works committee chairmanship to Councillor Borden, the senior member of the council. The chairmanship of the finance committee the reeve hoped would be accepted by Councillor Grant. Councillor Tanner would have been offered the appointment, but owing to the distance he lives from the city and the necessity of holding emergent meetings in town occasionally, it is practically impossible for him to take the office. The minor committees were distributed among the other members of the council according to seniority of service and experience.

It is improbable the regular meetings of the council will begin till next week, as almost all the roads in the peninsula are under a blanket of snow, and thus road work is impossible. The energies of the engineering department

Several interesting announcements are contained in the latest district orders: Canadian Engineers—4th Field Coy., to be provisional lieutenants (superannuated), Sergt. Sidney Arnold Lake, 15th November, 1915; Sidney Humphreys, gentleman, 17th November, 1915; George Samuel Hanes, gentleman, 18th November, 1915.

Infantry—6th Regiment (the Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles), Lieutenants (superannuated), D. R. Charlson, A. Taylor, J. A. McDonald, W. A. Woodward, A. Alexander are absorbed into the establishment. To be provisional lieutenants (superannuated), William Frederick McBride, gentleman, 15th September, 1915; 5th Regiment—To be provisional lieutenants (superannuated), Churchill Fison, gentleman, 22nd September, 1915.

22nd Regiment (Seaforth Highlanders) of Canada—To be paymaster with the honorary rank of lieutenant, Robert Fletcher Leslie, gentleman, October 16, 1915.

Canadian Army Dental Corps—To be lieutenant (superannuated), Harry Alexander Simmons, gentleman, November 23, 1915.

Memoranda.
The undermentioned to be temporary lieutenant-colonels:
Major J. Perry, Corps Reserve, 6th Duke of Connaught's Royal Canadian Hussars, whilst attached to the 30th Regiment (British Columbia Horse), December 4, 1915.

Captain A. W. McLellan, 11th Regiment (Irish Fusiliers of Canada), whilst commanding the 121st (Overseas) Battalion, C. E. F., December 7, 1915.

Captain J. E. Ward, Canadian Engineers, whilst performing the duties of officer commanding company, No. 4 Field Coy., North Vancouver, is granted the rank of temporary major, December 7, 1915.

Lieut. P. Ward, 6th Field Company, Canadian Engineers, is granted the temporary rank of captain, December 7, 1915.

Confirmation of Rank.
The undermentioned provisionally appointed officers, having qualified themselves for their appointments, are confirmed in their rank from the dates set opposite their respective names:

Lieut. (superannuated) S. D. Armour, 22nd Regiment, January 10, 1914.

Lieut. (superannuated) R. S. Smith, 10th Regiment, June 1, 1915.

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The C. N. P. is not entitled to exemption from taxation on its property in Burnaby.

This was the ruling of Mr. Justice Clement in Superior Court in Vancouver in giving judgment in the action of Burnaby versus C. N. P., a suit to which the C. N. P. was made a party on admitting that it is the owner of the property registered in Mr. Field's name. The amount sued for in this test case was \$2,432 of 1915 taxes, with interest.

This judgment follows that in the case of the C. N. P. vs. Vancouver city.

Appeal against Mr. Justice Clement's ruling in that case having been disallowed by the Court of Appeal, it is unlikely that the company will appeal in this case.

PROMOTED IN RANK

Lieut. T. B. Monk, Now a Major in 121st Battalion, C.E.F., New Westminster

Qualifying for the advanced rank after passing in the examinations at the end of a field officer's course recently, Lieut. T. B. Monk has been promoted to major. For a number of years very closely identified with the 5th Regiment, C.O.A., he was also well known in Victoria as a member of the firm of Messrs. Monk & Monteith. He has been attached to the 121st Battalion, C.E.F., now quartered at New Westminster, and it is expected that he will be placed second in command of that unit.

He that does good to another man does also good to himself not only in consequence, but in every act of doing it, for the conscience of well doing is ample reward.—Seneca.

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AT THE THEATRES

PANTAGES NEW BILL.

Pantages new programme for the week opening with this afternoon's matinee is one that should please even the most critical among the votaries of variety. There is a little of everything from musical comedy to tabloid problem plays and acrobatics on the bill and all of it high class. Heading the list of new acts will be one of those merry tabloid musical comedies that always seem to please and makes a fine feature act to close a good show. "In Mexico" is the title of the offering that will have the place of honor on the bill. It will serve to introduce two old Pollard Opera company favorites, Ald. Goulding and Leslie Donaghey.

There are eight young and shapely girls in the chorus, and Goulding's skill as a stage director is shown in the striking costumes and pretty scenic effects in this merry skit. Another feature that will particularly appeal to lovers of the legitimate drama will be an unusually strong dramatic sketch, entitled "After Ten Years." It will be presented by Hugo B. Koch and company of three. It is a social problem play of the tense, gripping, heart-interest kind that holds the attention

closely from rise to fall of the curtain. Mr. Koch and his supporting artists give a particularly artistic presentation of the playlet, despite the exacting characters required. The principals were formerly character impersonators with a large road show. O'Neal and Walsley, a duo of singing and talking comedians, will offer a bunch of nifty nonsense interspersed with some of the very latest song hits. Pretty Peggy Bremen, a shapely young woman, and her brother, will present a daring ladder act that is said to comprise about the acme of the equilibrist's art.

Dorothy Vaughan, a sweet singer, will add vocal melody to the programme.

DOMINION THEATRE.

"The Prince and the Pauper," the foremost work of America's greatest humorist, Mark Twain, has at last been given to posterity in living form, through the superb five-part photoplay adaptation of that celebrated work produced by the Famous Players Film company, starring Marguerite Clark in the dual-title role. This extraordinary film attraction will be the Paramount picture at Dominion theatre beginning to-day.

The acquisition to the screen of this far-famed and universally loved contribution to American literature and

drama represents another decisive triumph for the Famous Players Film company. For many years leading feature producing companies have striven in vain for the motion picture rights of this notable literary masterpiece, but they were finally assigned to the Famous Players, only upon consideration of the unsurpassed artistic standard with which this celebrated feature organization has always been identified.

It is needless to say that the screen version of "The Prince and the Pauper" transcends the original tale in interest and fascination. Faithfully preserving the delicious satirical spirit and the beautiful sentiments of Mark Twain's delightful story, it has also added a wealth of color and action, of picturesque scenery and costumes, that enhance to an enormous degree the bewitching story of the weary little Prince who longed to be a beggar for a day, and of the beggar who yearned to be Prince, both of whom suddenly find their hearts' desires gratified in a totally unexpected and intensely dramatic manner.

In the dual role of the "Prince and the Pauper," Marguerite Clark performs the most artistic work of her entire stage or screen career, and renders an interpretation of the characters containing at once so much poetry and power, so much force and beauty, that it will inevitably rank with the

few greatest characterizations yet contributed to the screen.

This unusual five-part screen attraction will remain at Dominion theatre for three days, where it will undoubtedly attract the greatest crowds that have ever yet attended this theatre.

"BIRTH OF A NATION"

Many of the critics who have been sternest in their exactions of American dramatists announce their belief that D. W. Griffith has "put over" the great American play at last. Mr. Griffith's wonderful spectacle-drama, "The Birth of a Nation," is the unique offering at the Royal Victoria tonight and for the balance of the week, afternoon and evening.

For many years American dramatists wrote able plays of particular States, cities or localities, ranging from "Alabama" to "The Henrietta," and from "Way Down East" to "The Great Divide." But no one man seemed to grasp the whole spirit and genius of America until David Wark Griffith picked a suggestion for his theme out of Dixon's "The Leopard's Spots" and "The Clansman," and started to develop it.

A remarkable thing about Mr. Griffith's plan is that words (except for leaders and titles), did not enter into it. Perhaps words had cramped rather than aided previous fictionists and dramatists. At any rate he replaced speech by music, and the old-fashioned stage action and scenery by the pictorialized action of thousands of players in the great out-of-doors. In brief he staged the great battles, struggles and critical events of 1861-70, under natural conditions as nearly as possible similar to the original.

The result of Mr. Griffith's efforts is a new and stupendous art for which no adequate name has yet been found. "The Birth of a Nation" combines spectacle, romance, domestic drama, comedy, tragedy, music and mechanical effects into a harmonious ensemble that captivates equally the eye and the ear. In a presentation lasting two hours and 45 minutes, it epitomizes the life of a nation. This is something the old art could never do. The obsolete so-called "stage unities are thrown to the winds and Griffith carries the magnificent story from the introduction of African slavery right down through Civil War and reconstruction days to the final real union of South and North in the bonds of love and peace.

Among the distinguished actors in the cast are Henry B. Walthall, Lillian Gish, Mae Marsh, Miriam Cooper, Mary Alden, Josephine Crowell, Ralph Lewis, Joseph Honabery, Raoul Wold, Donald Crisp, Howard Gay, George Seligman, Walter Long, Elmer Clifton and Robert Harron. Eighteen thousand people, 3,000 horses and no less than 5,000 scenes went to the making of the big spectacle.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Jan. 17.—5 a. m.—An ocean storm area now centred off California is causing northerly and easterly gales extending to Vancouver Island. The temperature is moderating along the coast, while in Kootenay it is still below zero. In the prairie provinces the temperature has risen to zero or over, while in the southern states it is very cold.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Tuesday. Victoria and vicinity—Strong winds or gales, mostly northerly and easterly, generally fair, stationary or higher temperature.

Lower Mainland—Northerly and easterly winds, fresh to high on the Gulf, generally fair, stationary or higher temperature.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.20; temperature, minimum yesterday, 30; wind, 20 miles N. E.; weather, clear.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 23; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, clear.

Entrance—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, minimum yesterday, 30; wind, 8 miles W.; weather, fair.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.53; temperature, maximum yesterday, 2 below; minimum, 16 below; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.54; temperature, maximum yesterday, 6; minimum, 2 below.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 28; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.04; temperature, maximum yesterday, 28; minimum, 24; wind, 16 miles E.; weather, cloudy.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.15; temperature, maximum yesterday, 28; minimum, 32; wind, 14 miles N. E.; weather, fair.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.64; temperature, maximum yesterday, 52; minimum, 41; wind, 6 miles N. E.; rain, .36; weather, rain.

Temperature. Max. Min.

Penticton 11 15

Nelson 15 20

Calgary 20 24

Edmonton 20 24

Qu'Appelle 4 8

Winnipeg 24 28

Toronto 24 28

Ottawa 24 28

Montreal 24 28

Halifax 24 28

Victoria Daily Weather.

Observations taken 8 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Saturday:

Temperature. Highest 23

Lowest 21

Average 24

Minimum on grass 17

Maximum in sun 30

Bright sunshine, 7 hours 46 minutes.

General state of weather, fine.

Observations taken 8 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Sunday:

Temperature. Highest 23

Lowest 21

Average 24

Minimum on grass 17

Maximum in sun 30

Bright sunshine, 8 hours.

General state of weather, fine.

In the course of a letter home, quoted in the London Morning Post, an officer in a British line regiment, now at a base convalescent depot, says: "I saw a rather amusing thing yesterday. It was a copy of a letter written by a Tommy's wife to the war office. It ran thus: 'Dear Sir,—According to instructions received by you on the white paper, I gave birth to a child on October 18th.'"

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Paris. He entered the foreign office as
a young man of 21 and has had a
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European capitals. In addition to
his fame as a diplomat he is almost
equally well-known as a writer. Un-
doubtedly much of his success in
Washington is due to the fact that his
wife is an American, although his un-
failing good humor is also a factor in
contributing to his popularity. A day
or two after war broke out at Wash-
ington organ grinder stationed his in-
strument under the ambassador's win-
dow, and played the "Marseillaise,"
doubtless in the expectation of secur-
ing an extra large tip. He not only
secured the expected tip, but an extra
one as well with the request that he
go and play the same air under the
window of Count Bernstorff, the Ger-
man ambassador.

TIMES SHIPPING CHART

Steamer	Master	Tonnage	Agents	From	Due
Canada Maru	Sarega	3,500	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Jan. 16
Crown of Seattle	...	4,300	Balfour, Guthrie	Liverpool	Jan. 20
Yokohama Maru	Tosawa	4,300	G. Northern	Hongkong	Jan. 21
Tacoma Maru	Hamada	3,500	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Jan. 20
Makura	Phillips	4,321	C. P. R.	Sydney	Feb. 10
Empress of Japan	P. L. Davison	2,500	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Feb. 23
Niagara	Rolls	7,000	C. P. R.	Sydney	March 10
Empress of Russia	W. Davison	6,982	C. P. R.	Hongkong	April 9

Steamer	Master	Tonnage	Agents	For	Due
Niagara	Rolls	7,000	C. P. R.	Sydney	Jan. 19
Canada Maru	Sarega	3,500	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Jan. 21
Tacoma Maru	Nagawa	3,500	G. Northern	Hongkong	Jan. 25
Empress of Japan	Davison	2,500	C. P. R.	Hongkong	March 4

Steamer	Master	Tonnage	Agents	For	Due
For Vancouver					
Steamer Princess Victoria	leaves daily				at 2.30 p. m., and steamer Princess Mary
daily at 11.45 a. m.					
From Vancouver					
Steamer Princess Adelaide	arrives daily				at 3 p. m., and steamer Princess Alice
at 6.30 a. m.					
For Seattle					
Steamer Princess Adelaide	leaves daily				at 4.30 p. m.
From Seattle					
Steamer Princess Victoria	arrives daily				at 1 p. m.
For Port Angeles					
Steamer Sol Duo	leaves daily except				Sunday at 12.30 a. m.
From Port Angeles					
Steamer Sol Duo	arrives daily except				Sunday at 9 a. m.
For San Francisco					
Steamer President and Governor	alternate				every Friday at 8 p. m.
From San Francisco					
Steamer President and Governor	alternate				every Monday at 1 p. m.
For Comox					
Steamer Charmer	leaves every Tuesday				a. m.

DISABLED SAILER IS SAFE AT GOLDEN GATE

Barquentine Retriever Has Eight Feet of Water in Hold; Was Nearly Lost

San Francisco, Jan. 17.—After being buffeted by one gale after another, and with eight feet of water in her hold, which only a steam pump could keep in control, the barquentine Retriever, lumber laden, which went to sea for Melbourne a week ago, put back into port on Saturday. The Retriever will have to go on drydock here for hull repairs before proceeding to sea again. The steam pump was rigged from the donkey engine and brought the water under control, although she was making five inches an hour. During this time the barquentine had run as far south as Piedras Blancas, and Capt. Rose almost at making San Pedro for repairs. However, the wind shifted to the southeast and so he came back to San Francisco with it.

The barque R. P. Rithet, of the Matson fleet, put to sea Saturday in tow of a Red Stack tug and is bound for Mahukona. She took out a full cargo of merchandise and plantation supplies.

Two New Tankers.

Two oil tankers are to be built for Henry Lund & Co. by the Union Iron Works, each to have a capacity of 50,000 barrels. This information was given out today by the firms concerned. The new tankers are to cost \$1,500,000 each.

The steam schooner Arctic left on Saturday for San Jose del Cabo to salvage the wreck of the steamer Fort Bragg.

Twenty-three days from Honolulu, during which she bucked heavy gales but lost only an inner rib, the Standard Oil ship Falls of Clyde made port on Saturday.

Loaded with case oil, the Standard Oil steamer, Sequoyia steamed for Shanghai Saturday.

Bringing general cargo but no passengers the British steamer Cotrina arrived from Mexico on Saturday.

DEAL FOR SALE OF GRAY FELL THROUGH

Steamer is Coming North From 'Frisco to Overhaul Before Resuming Trade

According to available information the deal pending for the sale of the steamer Gray by the Victoria Whaling Company to W. R. Grace & Co., has fallen through. The vessel is expected to leave San Francisco some time this week for Victoria, and upon arrival will be given a thorough overhaul. She will return to her former trade of keeping the whaling stations supplied, and bringing to this port the whale products.

A dispatch from San Francisco some days ago said that the Gray had been sold subject to inspection in drydock. She was hauled out last week and evidently she did not please her prospective buyers. The deal was called off, and the owners of the Gray ordered her to return to Victoria. She is picking up a little cargo in the south for this port.

A report was circulated on the waterfront on Saturday that she had been disposed of for \$50,000.

W. R. Be Overhauled.

As soon as the Gray has discharged her northbound cargo she will go alongside the wharf at Point Ellice and undergo an extensive overhaul, later being hauled out on one of the slips to have her hull scraped and painted. About the middle of March she will be signing a crew and making ready to leave for Naden Harbor and Kyquot to deliver stores and supplies to the whaling stations there, which will be starting operations in April.

The whaling steamers are now being overhauled. They are being chipped and early in April will be hauled out to have their hulls painted. It is not known at present how many of the vessels will be sent hunting this season, but no doubt there will be three working from each station.

WATERHOUSE FIXES TWO MORE CARRIERS

Seattle Shipping Firm is Exporting Huge Quantities of Freight to Orient

Seattle, Jan. 17.—Frank Waterhouse & Co. announced Saturday that they had made an important addition to their fleet of chartered steamers operated in the trans-Pacific trade, and had arranged for two large cargo vessels to load at this port for Vladivostok, Siberia, the last week in March and in April. Mr. Waterhouse said that he was not ready to make public the names of the carriers.

Waterhouse & Co. have discharged full cargoes from the British steamer Kenkon, Maru No. 3 and the Koan Maru this month, and have still to discharge the Japanese steamers Yesan Maru and Kaitoku Maru. The Yesan Maru reached Seattle Saturday morning from ports in the Orient via Portland, and the Kaitoku Maru called at Tongkong on December 4 bound for this port.

The same firm this month has dispatched the Inverke, the Kenkon Maru No. 3 and the American steamer Seward, which the company chartered from the Alaska Steamship company. The Kaitoku Maru is expected in Seattle Monday with a cargo of Oriental freight.

Others Coming In.

The Gishun Maru, of the Waterhouse fleet, is soon to load in Japan for Seattle; the Unkal Maru is due in Japan from Vladivostok. She will load a cargo of coal for Singapore, and after discharging will take shipments in the Far East for Seattle.

The Selko Maru, of the same company, is discharging at Vladivostok; the Shintu Maru, the Koan Maru and the Seward are en route from Seattle for Vladivostok.

Mr. Waterhouse said the Japanese steamer Tamaya Maru will load shortly in Japan for Seattle and take a full cargo at this port for Vladivostok.

The Yellan Maru, of the Waterhouse fleet, is bound for Manila, where she will load a full cargo of hemp for Seattle.

SALVORS AT LAST GET ABOARD KENKON MARU

Find Bottom Badly Damaged; Holds Full of Water; Preliminary Work Starts

After many disappointments the salvors have at last been able to get alongside the stranded Japanese freighter Kenkon Maru No. 3. Word received this morning from Mayne Island stated that both the steamers Salvor and Alaskan were carrying on preliminary work in the huge job of getting the ship afloat.

For the first time the salvage men stepped up a Jacob's ladder to the Kenkon's deck yesterday afternoon. They found the ship very badly damaged. Almost her entire bottom has been buckled, ripped and opened. All holds are full of water, and it is feared that much of her cargo will be damaged. The salvors make no predictions as to when the vessel will be floated.

Seas Played Havoc

The Kenkon Maru drove hard ashore early last Wednesday morning during a blinding snow-storm. Shortly afterwards the weather cleared, but came on to blow hard from the N. E. When the Salvor arrived off the wreck on Wednesday evening, the sea was so heavy that she could do nothing and ran in to a sheltered anchorage. For three days the steamer was prevented from getting alongside. Each day she made attempts, but the seas were sweeping right over the Kenkon. It was feared that she would have her hull further damaged, and this proved correct.

When she first struck the Kenkon had her forepeak holed and it filled immediately. No. 1 hold took some water, but following the three days of heavy pounding on the Belle Chain reef the bottom of the ship was so seriously damaged that all the holds, engine room and stokeholds filled.

The difficulties of floating the Kenkon have been materially increased by the stormy weather.

Alaskan Despatched

To assist the steamer Salvor in floating the Kenkon, the steamer Alaskan, which is kept here by the B. C. Salvage Co., as an auxiliary vessel, was outfitted and despatched for Belle Chain reef on Saturday. Capt. Tommy Thompson, mate of the Salvor, arrived here on Saturday to take command of the Alaskan. Capt. Douglas Robertson left on the vessel and will become mate of the Salvor.

The Salvor and Alaskan 10-day were alongside the Kenkon putting aboard pumps and other gear with which to effect the necessary repairs to float the ship.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Seattle, Jan. 10.—Arrived: Str. Yaroslav, Vladivostok, via Vancouver and Comox, B. C.; str. Yosemite, San Francisco; str. Celilo, San Francisco; str. Easthof, British Columbia ports; str. Queen, Tacoma, via Everett; str. Cordova, Port Blakeley; str. Hyades, Tacoma; str. Wilmington, San Francisco; str. Humboldt, San Francisco; str. Admiral Dewey, San Francisco; str. Matsqui, British Columbia ports; str. Yosemite, Tacoma.

Hongkong, Jan. 13.—Arrived: Str. Sado Maru, from Seattle.

Callao, Jan. 14.—Arrived: Str. Baja California, from San Francisco.

Arica, Jan. 14.—Arrived: Str. Edna, from San Francisco.

Sydney, N. S. W., Jan. 14.—Arrived: Str. Makura, from Vancouver, B. C., via Honolulu.

Antofagasta, Jan. 14.—Arrived: Str. Nichiro Maru, from San Francisco.

Melbourne, Jan. 14.—Sailed: Str. J. W. Chase, for Puget sound.

Sydney, N. S. W., Jan. 14.—Arrived: Str. Crescent, from Mukilteo, thence November 3.

THE TIME BALL

The time ball on the Belmont building will be raised halfway at 12.45, at the top at 12.55, and dropped at 1 p. m. daily. F. Napier, Dominion superintendent, the Observatory, Gonzales Heights.

TIDE TABLE

January.											
Date.						Time.					
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1	9:48	9.9	18.28	1.8	...	2	10:23	10.3	18.12	0.8	...
3	11:02	11.0	17.57	0.2	...	4	11:58	11.9	16.41	0.2	...
5	12:45	12.5	15.10	2.4	...	6	1:23	1.3	12.45	7.9	...
7	2:02	2.0	9.14	8.8	...	8	2:38	2.4	3.38	8.5	...
9	3:12	3.1	11.32	7.3	...	10	3:57	3.5	15.54	7.0	...
11	4:23	4.2	17.53	8.8	...	12	4:59	4.5	24.36	8.1	...
13	5:47	5.4	23.09	9.0	...	14	6:16	6.1	27.43	8.3	...
15	6:58	6.5	25.28	8.0	...	16	7:21	7.2	27.32	6.8	...
17	7:51	7.9	24.36	5.8	...	18	8:28	8.2	22.04	2.1	...
19	8:41	8.4	19.21	1.6	...	20	9:13	9.1	13.46	5.1	...
21	9:56	9.5	10.15	1.5	...	22	10:34	10.3	4.48	2.1	...
23	11:02	11.0	0.00	0.0	...	24	11:58	11.9	0.00	0.0	...
25	12:45	12.5	15.10	2.4	...	26	1:23	1.3	12.45	7.9	...
27	2:02	2.0	9.14	8.8	...	28	2:38	2.4	3.38	8.5	...
29	3:12	3.1	11.32	7.3	...	30	3:57	3.5	15.54	7.0	...
31	4:23	4.2	17.53	8.8	...						

CANADA MARU HERE AFTER ROUGH PASSAGE

Reports Exceptionally Bad Weather on Outward Voyage; Large Silk Cargo

The Canada Maru, of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha line, Capt. Surenaga, berthed at the outer wharf at 2 o'clock this afternoon, seventeen days out from Yokohama.

For the first seven days of her trip the vessel encountered northwesterly gales, the remainder of the voyage being completed under more satisfactory conditions. She brought over eighty Russian Jews, principally from the Baltic provinces and districts occupied by the Germans. These are on the way to the United States to obtain employment. Three Japanese disembarked at this port.

On board are 2,451 bales of silk valued at about \$1,350,000. The Canada has about 800 tons for Victoria, which will occupy till about 5 a. m. to-morrow in discharging, when she will proceed to the Sound. She has 1,053 tons for Seattle, \$234 for Tacoma, and 570 for Vancouver.

On her last outward trip from Victoria the Canada Maru encountered very heavy weather, passing through fifteen days' continuous gale, and taking twenty-three days to reach Yokohama. During that period she made on one day only 120 miles in the twenty-four hours. It was necessary to put into Koshi to replenish her supplies and recharge her bunkers.

CONTRACTS FOR NEW SHIPS GO BEGGING ON COAST

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 7.—Urgent demand for steamers at nearly every port in the world as a direct result of the European war is soon to cause a wonderful expansion in the shipbuilding industry on the coast.

J. V. Paterson, president of the Seattle Construction & Dry Dock Company, has been in the east negotiating for the contract to build several new steamers, variously estimated from four to twelve. Mr. Paterson is expected home today and to bring these contracts with him.

Since the beginning of the new year several reports have been current concerning extensive development on Harbor Island, and other transportation companies and other concerns engaged in the cargo business have been looking to Seattle for quick delivery of new vessels.

Steel contracts for vessels have been going begging on both the Pacific and Atlantic coasts for months, due to the inability of the manufacturers to guarantee delivery within a reasonable period.

The result of all this activity in steamship construction has been to the advantage of the Pacific coast in general and Seattle in particular, and it is expected that the local industrial pay roll will show a substantial increase even before the end of this month.

WIRELESS REPORT

Jan. 17, 8 a. m.

Point Grey—Clear; calm; 30.16; 23.

Cape Lazo—Clear; calm; 30.15; 27; sea smooth.

Pachena—Clear; N. E.; 29.47; 40; sea smooth.

Estevan—Clear; calm; 30.00; 30; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Clear; calm; 30.02; 35; sea smooth.

Triangle—Clear; N. E.; 30.30; 38; sea moderate.

Dead Tree Point—Clear; N. W.; light; 30.20; 22; sea smooth.

Ikedra—Clear; N. W.; light; 30.13; 38; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; 30.18; 28; sea smooth. Out, S. S. Princess Maquinna at 6.30 p. m., southbound. In, S. S. Prince John at 1.15 a. m.; S. S. Chelohsin at 4.45 a. m.

Noon.

Point Grey—Clear; S. W. fresh; 30.04; 34.

Cape Lazo—Clear; calm; 30.07; 32; sea rough.

Pachena—Clear; E. gale; 29.39; 50; sea rough.

Estevan—Clear; calm; 29.91; 50; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Clear; S. E.; 29.84; 30; sea smooth.

Triangle—Clear; N. E.; 30.20; 39; sea smooth.

Dead Tree Point—Clear; N. W.; light; 30.21; 34; sea smooth.

Ikedra—Clear; N. W.; light; 29.98; 40; sea smooth.

WHICH IS THE COUNTRY OF THE HYPHENATES?

It is Mr. George Sylvester Viereck who suggests the inquiry. In the Fatherland newspaper he assumes to prescribe an "acid test" for presidential candidates to determine their fitness to receive the support of those whom he calls "German-Americans." William Jennings Bryan, he assures us, will stand the test; present-day because, with tongue in cheek and drooping, sinister eyelids, he assured the side-partner of the German government that the American protest against the butchery of women and children and of American citizens on the Lusitania was nothing but bunkum, for home consumption, which need not be taken seriously by those to whom it was addressed. William Randolph Hearst, too, would be entirely acceptable to the wearers of the hyphen. But as for Roosevelt and Wilson, "German-Americans, in justice to themselves and their country must fight their nomination tooth and nail."

It would have been interesting for Mr. Viereck to explain precisely what he meant by "their country." Is it Germany or America? He puts Germany first in the hyphenated name. Is "their country" the country which has been murdering American citizens on the high seas, destroying American lives and property by arson here in the United States, fomenting sedition and disorder, outraging international hospitality, and libelling and lampooning American citizens, American officials and the American press? Is that the country whose interests are to be protected by the "acid test" by which presidential candidates are to be judged? Or is it the country which has had these in-

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INTER-COMPANY GAMES IN 103RD BATTALION

Next Game on Schedule is Staff vs. No. 1 Co; Saturday's Games Postponed

The 103rd Battalion, C. E. F., now rapidly approaching the 1,000 mark, is very active in sporting circles. The staff and each company has its football, ice hockey and water polo teams, and only the severity of the weather is holding up the inter-company football games. The next match on the schedule is between the staff and No. 1 company, which was to have been played just as soon as the weather permits at Central Park. In the battalion they have some of the best local talent, and have entered a strong team in the Peden cup games. The teams for the next inter-company game will be as follows: Staff: Goal, Major Drake; backs, O. R. Sergt. Baxter and Sergt. Smith; halves, Machine Gun Sergt. Calvert, Pte. Townsend and Pte. Morris; forwards, Armourer Sergt. Hoy, Lieut. McLagan, Lieut.-Col. Henniker, Capt. Foster and Pte. Holt.

No. 1 company's lineup: Goal, C. Q. M. Sergt. McLean; backs, Lieut. H. M. Ross and Pte. Barber; halves, Lance-Corpl. McMillan, Lance-Corpl. Crookston, Pte. Bentley; forwards, Pte. Lea, Pte. Berwick, Lance-Corpl. Smith, Pte. Unsworth and Lance-Corpl. Phillips.

Games Postponed. Owing to the unfavorable weather conditions prevailing the Peden cup and other soccer fixtures scheduled for Saturday have been postponed one week.

DILLON TO MEET MISKE.

Superior, Wis., Jan. 17.—Local promoters today received signed articles from Jack Dillon, who is matched to meet Billy Miske, of St. Paul, in a ten-round, no-decision bout here January 28. The articles call for 175 pounds at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of the fight.

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SPORTING NEWS

NO EASY TASK TO SELECT REFEREE FOR TO-NIGHT'S FIGHT AT WILLOWS

Principals Finished Training Saturday; First Preliminary Starts at 8 o'clock Prompt

Picking a referee for the Curson-Moore match is proving no easy task. No headway has been made thus far in the selection of the third man for to-night's battle at the Willows. Any man with sufficient ring knowledge capable of officiating would be acceptable to both principals, but all the referees approached thus far decline to take the job. It is expected that the third man will be selected this afternoon.

Both principals rounded up their training on Saturday afternoon. Curson boxing six rounds with Joe Bayley, and doing light indoor work. He is in the best shape of his career, and expresses his confidence in disposing of Moore. This is his professional debut, though he previously has made several appearances in amateur ranks. He is a great favorite with the local public and is being heavily backed by his salaried admirers.

Corp. Tommy Moore, of the C. M. R., who opposes Curson, is a pocket miniature of Iron Man Joe Grimm. His hide must be of leather, for his ability to absorb punishment is remarkable. A couple of years ago Joe Bayley handed Moore a terrific beating at Nanaimo, but could not knock him out. Later another local lightweight journeyed to the Coast City with the intention of

knocking Moore out. This was Kid Doble. The pair shook hands, squared off, and like a flash of lightning, Moore's right hand connected with Doble's jaw and the fight was over. He keeps boring in, and as Curson is a boxer of the same type, this battle should be a whirling affair.

Moore rounded up his training Saturday, boxing with Jackie Roberts and Hector McDonald. He is in the best possible condition, and is equally as confident as his salaried opponent of victory.

Preliminaries Good.

The preliminary events between Pte. Guy Martin, of the 88th Battalion, C. E. F., vs. Trooper O'Donnell, of the 11th C. M. R., at 115 pounds, and that between Jackie Roberts, of the 11th C. M. R., and Seaman Tidwell, of H. M. C. S. Rainbow, at 130 pounds, should be whirling affairs. This is the first appearance of Roberts and O'Donnell locally, but they come here with good reputations. Martin and Tidwell are very well known here, having boxed in local amateur ranks.

The rival boxers will weigh in this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Willows. The principals of the main event must scale not over 135 pounds. Tickets for the event which have been on sale at the Two Jacks cigar store and the contents of the various units have been selling rapidly, and a packed house is anticipated. The proceeds will be contributed to the 11th C. M. R. sports fund. During the intervals the 11th C. M. R. brass band will provide all the latest airs. The first preliminary will start at 8 o'clock prompt.

ARISTOCRATS ARE CONFIDENT OF WIN OVER SEATTLE AGGREGATION TO-MORROW

Team Looks Much Stronger With Nichol in Centre Ice; Champions Favorites Over Rosebuds

Brimming over with confidence the Victoria hockey team embarked on the Seattle boat this afternoon to play against Pete Muldoon's aggregation of puck chasers to-morrow night. Victoria and Seattle are tied for the cellar honors in the league race, and the winner of to-morrow's combat will be going within striking distance of Vancouver and Portland.

Victoria looks fifty per cent stronger with Sissy Nichol in centre ice. He has added much to the team work and the return to form of Manager Patrick also has added greatly to the local strength.

Dubie Kerr, who had not shown a great deal all the season, was the star performer on the ice on Friday night, and should swell his scoring average to-morrow. The entire team is going at a terrific pace, and will make it warm for the leaders before the league closes.

The probable lineups of the teams are:

Victoria: Goal, McCulloch; point, Genge; cover point, Patrick.

Seattle: Goal, Holmes; point, Rowe; cover point, Carpenter.

Ahearn-Gibbons Go is Feature Event; Dillon Fights Levin-sky To-night

Jack Dillon, of Indianapolis, and Battling Levinsky, of New York, claimants to the world's light heavyweight championship, will meet to-night in a ten-round bout. This is their third meeting, their first clash resulting in a twelve-round decision to Dillon, while the second battle was a no-decision affair, although Dillon had the better of the argument.

While Dillon and Levinsky are settling their little argument, Frankie Russell and Joe Rivers will be engaged in swapping wallops at New Orleans in what is scheduled as a twenty-round battle. Rivers holds a ten-round point decision over the New Orleans boy.

Tuesday night also will be a busy one in the roped circle. The main event of that evening will be a grudge battle between Mike Gibbons and Young Ahearn. The latter has been saying a lot of harsh things about the St. Paul boy, and the latter is determined to stop the Englishman. This is the second battle between this pair. Ahearn slumbered after coming in contact with Gibbons' right hand at New York in 1913. Another bout will be between Charlie White and Joe Asvedo at Boston, and a twelve-round bout at Milwaukee between Kid Graves and Ted Lewis, claimants to the world's welterweight championship.

On Friday night the old rivalry, Sam Langford and Harry White, will meet for the third time. Langford scored a

knockout in their first meeting, but Willis earned a point decision over the Boston black last week.

Stanley Yankum, the Denver lightweight, and Johnny Dundee will wind up a strenuous week's activity Saturday night when they battle 15 rounds at Denver.

Would Trade Poulin
Toronto, Jan. 17.—The Toronto Hockey club have received a cash offer from Ottawa for Skene Ronon, while the Canadiens offered to exchange Poulin and Dubeau for the centre player, but Manager Livingstone has been much impressed with the form of the veteran in the practices and declined the offer.

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CHAMPIONS DOWN KNOX IN HARD FOUGHT GAME

Last year's Sunday School Basketball league champions, the Fairfields, narrowly escaped defeat Saturday night in their initial appearance this season at the hands of Knox, the final score being 32 to 28 in favor of the champs. Throughout the play was of the see-saw variety, and three minutes from time the score was tied 28 all, when the Fairfields notched two baskets clinching the game.

The second match, between the Metropolitan Hornets and the Belmont quintet, went to the former via the default route, the Belmont team failing to put in an appearance. The Hornets played an exhibition game with a scrub team and won 21 to 12.

League Standing.

Team	P	W	L	Pts.
Met. Hornets	1	1	0	2
Met. All-Blacks	1	1	0	2
Fairfields	1	1	0	2
First Presbyterians	1	1	0	2
Congregationals	1	0	1	0
Knox	1	0	1	0
Belmonts	2	0	2	0

Next Games on Schedule Wednesday.
Met. All-Blacks vs. Congos.
Fairfields vs. Presbyterians.

PIRATES WANT PLAYERS

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 17.—The Pittsburgh Nationals have opened negotiations for some players on the list of the Chicago Nationals and Chicago Federals. Manager J. J. Callahan said he wanted a pitcher, catcher, outfielder and infielder. Until after the transfer of the Chicago Nationals, which is expected to take place later this week, no definite deal will be proposed by Manager J. B. Tinker.

OFFERED TO TORONTO



SKINNER POULIN

Former Victoria hockey player who jumped to the Canadian N. H. A. team and has failed to make good in that circuit. Manager Kennedy has offered to trade Poulin and another player to Toronto for Skene Ronon.

QUEBEC TIED WITH WANDERERS FOR LEAD

Bulldogs Defeated Torontos and Champions Won From Frenchmen

N. H. A. Hockey Standing.

Team	W	L	F	A	Pts.
Wanderers	5	3	2	10	10
Quebec	5	3	2	10	10
Canadiens	4	4	2	10	8
Ottawa	3	4	2	17	6
Toronto	1	6	15	29	2

Saturday's Results.
Canadiens, 2; Ottawa, 5.
Quebec, 5; Toronto, 3.
Wanderers, a bye.

Next Games.
Wanderers at Quebec. Only one game scheduled.

Montreal, Jan. 17.—Ottawa beat Canadiens at Montreal and Quebec won from Toronto at Quebec in Saturday's N. H. A. games.

This leaves Quebec and Wanderers, who were tied for first place. The game in Montreal was a hard struggle, with Ottawa getting the jump on the Frenchmen and keeping it all the way through. In the first period Ross and Neighbor scored for Ottawa, and Merrill got another 30 seconds from the start of the second period. Pitre and Lalonde then scored for Canadiens and Duford for Ottawa before the period ended. Gilmour scored the only goal in the third for Ottawa, the final score being 5 to 2 for Ottawa.

Quebec Beats Torontos.
At Quebec, Smith scored first for Quebec, then Denney and Skinner for Toronto. Smith equalized before the first period closed. Malone and Ritchie scored for Quebec in the second period and Denney for Toronto. Marks scored the only goal of the third period for Quebec, leaving the final score 5 to 3 for Quebec.

LONG ISLAND TO GET LARGEST OF 1916 MEETS

New York, Jan. 17.—That Long Island is to get the biggest of the metropolitan district golf tournaments of 1916 became known to-day following the announcement made that at its meeting the executive committee of the Metropolitan Golf association had awarded the metropolitan amateur championship to the Nassau Country club, Glen Cove, L. I. The date set for the tournament is June 7 to 10.

The metropolitan open championship tournament has been assigned to Garden City and will take place July 5 and 7. The Englewood club has been awarded the junior metropolitan championship, and it will be played June 27 and 28.

The Metropolitan Golf association team which won the Lesley cup from teams representing Pennsylvania and Massachusetts last year, will again be headed by F. S. Douglas and strenuous efforts are to be made by the association to defend the trophy this coming summer.

DARCY WINS ANOTHER.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 17.—Les Darcy, of Australia, defeated George (Knockout) Brown, American, in a twenty-round boxing contest at Sydney, Australia, Saturday night, according to a cablegram received today by Tom Andrews, boxing promoter of Milwaukee. Darcy was given the decision on points.

BAN'S HOME RANSACKED.

Chicago, Jan. 17.—Bugs Saturday night ransacked the home of Ban Johnson, president of the American league, while members of his family were dining out, and stole a sable coat and an evening gown, belonging to Mrs. Johnson.

WEEKS WANTED TO ENLIST.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 17.—Billy Weeks, the Canadian middleweight champion, was refused permission to enlist in the Canadian army yesterday because he belonged to the ranks of the married men. The clever boxer is anxious and ready to take up arms for his country, but he has a wife and two children depending upon him for support and will not therefore have the chance to do any fighting in the trenches.

NOT ANXIOUS TO SIGN CHASE

Chicago, Jan. 17.—H. H. Chase, the first baseman who jumped to the Buffalo Federals from the Chicago American league club, will find no bar raised against him by President Comiskey, who said that Manager C. W. Rowland was free to sign any player from the Federal league whom he could get. Manager Rowland is none too anxious to land Chase. He figures that Hal is a trouble-maker, and that he could do without him.

KILBANE BEAT CONIFREY.

Philadelphia, Jan. 17.—Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion of the world, defeated Frankie Confrey of New York in a six-round bout here Saturday night. Kilbane had the better of the entire bout.

Parson (to newly-wedded pair)—"The marriage state imposes various duties. The husband must protect the wife, while the wife must follow the husband whithersoever he goes." Bride—"Lor' sir, can't that be altered in our case? My man is going to the trenches to-morrow morning!"

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DIED.

PEIRCE—On the 15th inst., at her home, Lake Hill, B.C., Mrs. Peirce, aged 77 years, born in Winnipeg, Man., a resident of this district for the past eight years.

The funeral will take place to-morrow at 1:45 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel, fifteen minutes later services will be held at Emmanuel Baptist church, Fernwood road. Rev. Wm. Stevenson will officiate. Interment, Ross Bay cemetery.

NUNN—On the 15th inst., at her home, 620 Constance avenue, Mrs. Fanny Nunn, beloved wife of Robert H. Nunn, aged 68 years and two weeks. Born in Ashwell, Hertfordshire, England. A resident of this city since June 3, 1885. The deceased leaves to mourn her loss, three sons and two sons, William R. E. Nunn, of Victoria; Alfred H. J. Nunn, now serving with the First Canadian Pioneer in England; and two daughters, Mrs. Geo. Bullock-Smith, of Sidney, Australia, and Mrs. Ralph Leaman, of this city.

The funeral will take place Tuesday, the 18th inst., at 10:45 o'clock from the above residence, and fifteen minutes later services will be held at St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, where the Rev. W. R. Bagg Allen will officiate. Interment, Ross Bay cemetery.

CAME—At the Royal Jubilee hospital, on the 12th inst., Richard Came, aged 93 years, born in Ontario, a resident of Garden City for the past three years. Former residence at Mission City, B. C. The deceased leaves to mourn his loss, besides a widow, three sons and three daughters, of this city: four brothers, William H. Came, of Garden City; John Came, of Claremont, N. H.; Frederick Came, of Old Town, Maine; and Samuel Came, of Warren, Mass.

The funeral will take place Tuesday, the 18th inst., at 2 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel, 1512 Quadra street. Interment, Ross Bay cemetery.

J. P. MANN, FORMER CITY SOLICITOR, DIES

Well-Known Legal Man Passes Away; Resident for Sixteen Years

A well known figure in the legal life of Victoria has passed through the death yesterday morning of John Piddley Mann. Mr. Mann has been a patient of St. Joseph's hospital since November 23, the cause of death being weakness of the heart and consequent kidney trouble. For the last month he had been unconscious most of the time, and remained so until death intervened.

The deceased gentleman, who was a native of Devonshire, England, came to Victoria in 1899. He was managing clerk here first to the late J. M. Bradburn, who was then city solicitor. Mr. Bradburn went to Sydney, N. S. W., in 1904, where he has since died.

In 1906 C. Dubois Mason again became city solicitor, the late Mr. Mann assisting him in that capacity, and in 1907 they entered into partnership as Mason & Mann, remaining in that association until the present time. For a number of years they were solicitors to the city of Victoria. It thus happened that at the fire in October, 1910, when the Five Sisters block perished in the general conflagration, a number of civic documents and papers were consumed at Mason & Mann's offices.

The late Mr. Mann was in his 63rd year. He was well known as a regular patron of the drama, and seldom missed a performance in the old Victoria theatre.

A widow and two married daughters, living in England, survive. A son, Lewis Mann, came out in 1910, and lived with him for two years, returned to England, and from there went to Sydney, N. S. W.

The funeral will be a quiet one, and will take place from the B. C. Funeral company's chapel on Wednesday, at 2 o'clock, Bishop Scriven officiating. It is particularly requested that no flowers should be sent.

PIONEER WAS WORTH ABOUT HALF MILLION

Late George Stevens Was Possessor of Valuable Real Estate Here and in Vancouver

When the late George Stevens was found dead in his home on Burnside road last week a search was made for a will by some of his executors, Charles Hayward, P. R. Brown and Henry Mutrie, of Vancouver. No sign was to be found of the document, either in the house or in any repository outside.

At the request of the executors Chief Langley detailed Warrant Officer Allen to go to the house and make a search of the premises. Constable Allan made a very thorough search, even after others had abandoned it, and was successful in finding it among papers and books and other documents.

The late Mr. Stevens died worth somewhere about half a million dollars, as his papers disclose, he being one of the large owners of real estate in the city. A good deal of this was on Yates street, in the vicinity of Douglas street, and other portions of the very valuable business section downtown. He also owned a number of parcels of residential property, and in addition had a quantity in Vancouver.

There are a number of bequests to charitable institutions in the city and province. The funeral of the late pioneer took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral Chapel. Rev. A. de B. Owen officiating at the chapel and the graveside. There was a large attendance of friends, many old timers being among those present. The hymns sung were "Rock of Ages" and "Lead, Kindly Light." The following acted as pallbearers: Charles Hayward, H. A. Porter, W. S. Fraser, Harold Brown, H. Mutrie, George Brown.

Recruiting for the 88th Battalion is continuing briskly in Nanaimo, and there is a friendly rivalry between the officers of the two battalions. There is one complete platoon of sixty men, and the others are well on the way to a second platoon.

MINIATURES SHOWN

Interesting Exhibition of Rapid Chalk and Water-Color Sketches by Mrs. Burrell

More than 250 visitors viewed the little exhibition of rapid chalk and water-color sketches shown at her studio on Saturday afternoon by Mrs. Louise Burrell, A.R.M.S., of London, who recently established herself at 310 Campbell block. This industrious artist, who in the last two months has made no less than 146 miniature portraits of the people of Victoria and soldiers, succeeded in making a loan collection of her own works for the one day. Although only a very small proportion of her miniatures made during this period were obtainable, there was a very representative showing, and great interest has been aroused at a consequence. With subjects ranging in age from infancy to old age, and over a varied field of types, the artist has brought to her task not alone a fine gift for drawing and color re-production. The personality of the model has been caught and very subtly conveyed in the dainty sketches which form her interesting collection. And when the exhibition was viewed in the light of her explanation that the miniatures represented only one-hour and two-hour sittings, the fidelity of her art is the more to be marvelled at.

Although her work is relatively un-

familiar to Victoria art students and portrait lovers, Mrs. Burrell's talent has been long recognized in England. A pupil of Sir Hubert von Herkomer, A.R.M.S., of England, she gained under this master all the honors within the reach of students, and for eleven years was a constant exhibitor in the Royal Academy. She has had distinguished patronage, and among those of whom she has painted miniatures are H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, the Princess Patricia, the Princess Marie Louise of Schleswig-Holstein, Prince George of Battenberg, R.N.; Sir Frederick Forestier Walker, V.O.; Admiral Sir Henry Stephenson, K.C.B.; Vice-Admiral Farquhar, C.V.O.; Rear-Admiral Pelham, C.V.O.; Lady Borden, the Hon. W. T. White, etc. Mrs. Burrell is the sister-in-law of the Hon. Martin Burrell, minister of agriculture.

Her work has the delicacy of the old school of miniature painting, but so fine is her perception of values that she is able to bring out in a very small portrait the ruggedness of the soldier's face as easily as the soft curves of a child's. Four particularly clever soldier portraits shown were of Lt.-Col. Forsythe, Capt. Fitzherbert Bullen, Capt. Mayhew, and Lieut. Simcoe, all in Highland uniform. Among the many remarkably good portraits of ladies was one of Mrs. Hebdon Gillespie and another of Miss Margaret Tilly. Her child sketches are particularly happy and sympathetic.

Mrs. Burrell is now doing only three-hour sketches, as the more finished type miniature she regards as most satisfactory both to the sitter and to herself.

LOCAL NEWS

We for whom boys have fought. Patriotic Aid Society, 1210 Broad St.

Daughters of City.—The Daughters of City are holding a very important meeting to-morrow at Miss Roberts, 403 Young street. Members are asked to make a special effort to be present.

L. O. L. Dance.—Sir Edward Carson, L. O. L. will hold a dance in the Connaught hall, on Friday evening from 9 to 1:30. Heaton's orchestra will provide the music.

Indian Mad Liqueur.—Harry, a Songhees Indian, was picked up on lower Johnson street on Saturday afternoon by Constable McPherson in a condition of intoxication, and to-day he was fined \$5 and \$1 costs for the offence of five days in jail.

Hon. C. E. Tisdall, Minister of Works, the Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt, Minister of Finance, and other members of the government will address the members of Ward IV. Conservative Association in the Alexandra club, Courtney street, to-night at 8 p.m. All Conservatives, resident in this ward, are welcome.

Anti-Tuberculosis Society.—The monthly meeting of the Victoria Anti-Tuberculosis society will be held in the Alexandra committee room on Wednesday, January 19, at 11 a.m.

Lady Douglas Chapter.—The Lady Douglas chapter members will kindly notice that according to the schedule arranged by the Municipal chapter they will be in charge of the Fort street rooms the first and third Wednesday of each month.

Agricultural Production.—An effort will be made to secure an interview with the minister of agriculture this week by the committees of the board of trade which are dealing with the question of increased production of farm and garden crops. A meeting of the committees will be held previously.

"The Post," Its Antiquity, Wonders and Humors.—A lantern lecture on the history of communication by post and the British post office will be given at the next meeting of the men's club at the Christ Church schoolroom on Tuesday, the 18th of January at 8 o'clock by Mr. Percy James, formerly of the secretary's staff, general post office, London, England.

To-night the Alexandra Club will be occupied by the Ward IV. Conservatives who are holding their annual meeting. After the election of officers, the meeting will be addressed by the Hon. Minister of Finance, Hon. C. E. Tisdall, Minister of Works, and other gentlemen. All Conservatives, resident in this ward, are extended a cordial invitation to attend.

Address on Travels.—George Carter, the well-known rug dealer, has accepted an invitation from the Elks to address the members of that lodge and their friends on Wednesday evening, Jan. 19, at the regular lodge meeting. Mr. Carter will tell the audience of his experiences in Japan, China, India, Persia and Turkey. Elks and their friends are cordially invited.

Official Recount at Saanich.—The official recount of the votes for school trustees at Saanich was announced this afternoon by Returning Officer Sewell as follows: Watson, 298; Mrs. Hutchinson, 298; Davidson, 294; Letts, 161; Appleby, 144; rejected ballots, 12; tendered ballots, 1. For the election in Ward II. for councillor the figures were: Carey, 92; Pointer, 87; six spoiled ballots.

Carried Concealed Weapons.—Thinking he had some grievance against the residents of the house where his daughter is employed, James Mullard yesterday forenoon went to the house with a revolver in his pocket and indulged in several threats. He was turned over to the police and arrested by Sergeant Fry and Constable Jones. This morning in police court he pleaded guilty and made a long statement of his grievances. The revolver was confiscated, Mullard was advised to keep away from the house, which he promised to do, and he was dismissed with this warning.

STAGE WITHOUT HOUSE, HOUSE WITHOUT STAGE

Divided Against Itself by Legal Action; Royal Victoria Will Still Stand

A curious situation is created by the foreclosing of the mortgage on portion of the Royal Victoria theatre property. The mortgagee finds himself in possession of a theatre auditorium without a stage, while the Victoria Opera House company is left with a stage without any accommodation for an audience.

The owner of the front half of the property is, however, not so badly off as the owners of the rear portion, especially since the flickering drama seems to be the only sort that Victorians can hope to see. He can hang a screen across the proscenium arch and present to as large an audience as the big auditorium will hold motion picture substitutes for the spoken play.

The situation is probably unique in the history of the drama. A house without a stage or a stage without a house is so unthinkable that it requires a little thought to realize the position. Here is an owner of a fine theatre building or one half of it and with all the conveniences for seating hundreds of people comfortably. But he cannot produce opera or play for their entertainment. On the other hand the theatre company possesses one of the largest and most adequate stages on the continent, with all the scenic accessories and machinery and with dressing-rooms that are models of comfort. It can stage any attraction on the road, but cannot offer the players any audience to listen to their efforts. Playing to the back of the curtain would be neither satisfying nor profitable.

The wags offer many suggestions as to what use the stage could be put to. It might make a dancing academy, a ball-room or a banquet hall, or if the dressing-rooms were converted into bedrooms, some one might run a hotel and utilize the stage for a drawing-room for the guests. The field for suggestion is as wide as the wildest imagination can range.

As a matter of fact, there is no doubt that an arrangement will be come to between the owners of the two portions of the theatre which will enable the whole property to be used as one building should such a thing as a dramatic company ever come here again. Meanwhile the mortgagee is not worrying about what happens back stage, and "The Birth of a Nation" will be featured forth from the boundary wall of his portion of the theatre this week, stage or no stage.

TO MOBILIZE WHEN BARRACKS ARE READY

"Bantam" Battalion Will Not Take Long in Organizing Once Camp is Prepared

Construction of the Bantam Battalion barracks will begin just as soon as the weather conditions permit. This, Lieut. Col. Bruce Powley, O. C. 143 Battalion, hopes will be very shortly. Engineers are now busy laying out the ground at Beacon Hill park, where the unit is to mobilize, and expectations are that the practical work of building can be proceeded with in a few days' time.

Until the accommodation is ready for the men mobilization will not be proceeded with, said Lieut. Col. Bruce Powley to the Times this morning. This is only to be expected. It would be disappointing, and would hamper the ultimate success of recruiting if men were taken on the strength in any large numbers before a central mobilization camp was prepared for them. Recruits, however, are being examined and are now waiting at Prince Rupert, Edmonton, Calgary and other points from which the O. C. has been authorized to take men. When the barracks are advanced sufficiently in their construction to take even one company of men these will be mobilized, and the work of building will go on until all have been accommodated.

The system of construction provides for huts for each company, and other buildings for the various staff units, with separate quarters for the officers. The messroom will be separate. The big open areas around the park will provide ample space for manoeuvring and open-air drill, the site offering quite exceptional advantages in this respect.

Many of the military units throughout the province have undertaken to recruit men for the 143rd. Owing to the difference in height requirements for the Bantams this is a feasible way of getting recruits without interfering in any way with the recruiting of other organizations. The 6th D. C. O. R., Vancouver, for instance, has forty men ready to be transferred whenever the buildings are ready for their accommodation.

Trade Commissioners.—Messrs. Baker and Tucker, trade commissioners from Australia, are due to arrive in the city this afternoon, and will meet the council of the board of trade to discuss the opportunities for trade between the two countries. They have been making a tour of the Dominion and will leave here for home on the Niagara. It is understood that their tour has been successful in arousing a great deal of interest in trade with the Commonwealth, and that they report the people of that portion of the empire quite anxious to trade with this.

MANY MATTERS FOR COMMITTEE MEETING

To Discuss Buying at Home, Industrial Exhibition and Wool Manufacture

There is to be a meeting of the industrial committee of the Victoria and Island Development association at the association rooms on Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock for the purpose of discussing many subjects of interest to the community. It has been arranged that the work of the buy-at-home club shall be continued, and a report on the progress of the movement is to be given Thursday. The plans for the continuance of the same programme will be put before the meeting.

The committee in charge of the home products week will report and offer the outcome of their labors thus far for the consideration of the remainder of the full committee. The movement was begun last month, and it is proposed that it be extended so as to cover exhibits from all of Vancouver Island. The chief part of the report will be in connection with the endeavors of the committee to find a suitable hall in which to display the island products.

Recently the commissioner received correspondence on wool manufacture. He will put this before the meeting for discussion. Another phase of the wool manufacture plans is to be opened up in connection with sheep-raising on Vancouver Island as part of the proposed wool manufacturing industry. At the meeting there are to be speakers who will have information to give on both the growing and manufacturing of wool.

It has been suggested to the commissioner that public meetings be held to discuss this subject, and the wisdom of holding these meetings will be considered.

AUSTRALIAN CADETS ARRIVED HERE TO-DAY

Boys Have Been Across Canada and Will Return Home on Wednesday

After a successful tour of the Dominion the thirty-five Australian cadets who spent some days in Victoria last October arrived here this afternoon on the boat from Vancouver. They reached Vancouver on Saturday and spent yesterday there. They will remain here to-morrow and Wednesday, when they will go aboard the steamer "Niagara" for the last part of the homeward journey.

The journey across Canada has been of an exceptionally educational advantage to the band of boys, some of whom are very young. They have gained first hand knowledge of the great factories in the east, and they have learned about Canada's natural resources in following out their motto of education by travel. They will carry home with them the impressions of comradeship and co-operation with Canada, and their joint interest in the empire's fight in Europe.

In addition to taking home much knowledge that will be valuable to them, the boys have left behind a feeling of fellowship with the boys they have met, and in the homes where they have been guests. They have by their addresses and their private conversation advertised Australia very fully in Canada, and spread the particulars of the military customs of their country. The patriotic bodies in the Canadian cities have benefited by the visits, as the cadets have given \$10,000 of the funds they have taken at their concerts to the patriotic societies.

The cadets will give a concert at the High school to-morrow night. It will be a repetition of the entertainment given at the Royal Victoria theatre when they were here in October. They are to be taken care of mainly by those families with whom they resided at the time of their last visit until they sail for their home land on Wednesday.

BRITISH FLEET HAS WON

Nations like men achieve the ends they work hardest and longest for. The German army is the most effective embattled host the world has seen. Armed and disciplined as her soldiers are, it is doubtful if all the armies, hosts and hordes of historic times from Xerxes to Napoleon could make head against them. In like manner the combined war fleets of antiquity and all the battle craft that have sailed the seas from Salamis to Trafalgar or to Manila would be impotent against the British navy.

The German armies have won and still hold Serbia, Russian Poland, Belgium and something like a twenty-fifth of the soil of France. But the British fleet has won and holds the sea; and on all the illimitable oceans no ship can sail on any mission of peace or war without permission from her. That is the net result to date. If Britain is not conquered or bought off, we who are now living will never see the German flag again in any port except her own, on any sea of all the globe.—Rochester Post-Express.

Councils Sworn In.—The annual swearing in of the reeves and councillors for Oak Bay and for Esquimalt took place this morning in the county court. The newly elected officers made the declarations as required by law before Judge Lammman and are now duly authorized to conduct the affairs of the municipalities for 1916.

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SAANICH SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION

I desire to thank the electors who faced the storm of Saturday last to vote for me at the polls.

Sincerely yours, G. F. WATSON.

CARD OF THANKS.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria: Ladies and Gentlemen,—I wish to thank you for the kindness you have bestowed in electing me an Alderman for the coming year.

It is a pleasure to know that so many have placed their confidence in me. I assure you all, it is my desire to foster this feeling and will do all in my power to advance the best interests of our fair city.

Obediently yours, ALBION JOHNS.

CARD OF THANKS

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NO NEW K. C.'S IN WAR TIME.

The reason which the lord chancellor in his correspondence with the attorney-general for the withholding of any appointments to the ranks of king's counsel is a good one, and shows a due regard for the interests of those lawyers who have enlisted for the duration of the war. The great chance of the junior counsel comes when the men in the ranks who have large practices decide to take silk, and it would not be fitting if an opportunity were given for the re-distribution of briefs at a time when a large number of barristers are unable to avail themselves of the chance to set their proportion of these. There will be no new K.C.'s during the war. This will certainly involve no great hardship, as the amount of legal business to be distributed has been so largely reduced.—Westminster Gazette.

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Country	Year	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Spain	1971	12.85	12.90	12.85	12.80	12.75	12.70
Spain	1972	12.75	12.80	12.75	12.70	12.65	12.60
Spain	1973	12.65	12.70	12.65	12.60	12.55	12.50
Spain	1974	12.55	12.60	12.55	12.50	12.45	12.40
Spain	1975	12.45	12.50	12.45	12.40	12.35	12.30
Spain	1976	12.35	12.40	12.35	12.30	12.25	12.20
Spain	1977	12.25	12.30	12.25	12.20	12.15	12.10
Spain	1978	12.15	12.20	12.15	12.10	12.05	12.00
Spain	1979	12.05	12.10	12.05	12.00	11.95	11.90
Spain	1980	11.95	12.00	11.95	11.90	11.85	11.80
Spain	1981	11.85	11.90	11.85	11.80	11.75	11.70
Spain	1982	11.75	11.80	11.75	11.70	11.65	11.60
Spain	1983	11.65	11.70	11.65	11.60	11.55	11.50
Spain	1984	11.55	11.60	11.55	11.50	11.45	11.40
Spain	1985	11.45	11.50	11.45	11.40	11.35	11.30
Spain	1986	11.35	11.40	11.35	11.30	11.25	11.20
Spain	1987	11.25	11.30	11.25	11.20	11.15	11.10
Spain	1988	11.15	11.20	11.15	11.10	11.05	11.00
Spain	1989	11.05	11.10	11.05	11.00	10.95	10.90
Spain	1990	10.95	11.00	10.95	10.90	10.85	10.80
Spain	1991	10.85	10.90	10.85	10.80	10.75	10.70
Spain	1992	10.75	10.80	10.75	10.70	10.65	10.60
Spain	1993	10.65	10.70	10.65	10.60	10.55	10.50
Spain	1994	10.55	10.60	10.55	10.50	10.45	10.40
Spain	1995	10.45	10.50	10.45	10.40	10.35	10.30
Spain	1996	10.35	10.40	10.35	10.30	10.25	10.20
Spain	1997	10.25	10.30	10.25	10.20	10.15	10.10
Spain	1998	10.15	10.20	10.15	10.10	10.05	10.00
Spain	1999	10.05	10.10	10.05	10.00	9.95	9.90
Spain	2000	9.95	10.00	9.95	9.90	9.85	9.80
Spain	2001	9.85	9.90	9.85	9.80	9.75	9.70
Spain	2002	9.75	9.80	9.75	9.70	9.65	9.60
Spain	2003	9.65	9.70	9.65	9.60	9.55	9.50
Spain	2004	9.55	9.60	9.55	9.50	9.45	9.40
Spain	2005	9.45	9.50	9.45	9.40	9.35	9.30
Spain	2006	9.35	9.40	9.35	9.30	9.25	9.20
Spain	2007	9.25	9.30	9.25	9.20	9.15	9.10
Spain	2008	9.15	9.20	9.15	9.10	9.05	9.00
Spain	2009	9.05	9.10	9.05	9.00	8.95	8.90
Spain	2010	8.95	9.00	8.95	8.90	8.85	8.80
Spain	2011	8.85	8.90	8.85	8.80	8.75	8.70
Spain	2012	8.75	8.80	8.75	8.70	8.65	8.60
Spain	2013	8.65	8.70	8.65	8.60	8.55	8.50
Spain	2014	8.55	8.60	8.55	8.50	8.45	8.40
Spain	2015	8.45	8.50	8.45	8.40	8.35	8.30
Spain	2016	8.35	8.40	8.35	8.30	8.	

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STANDS TO GUNS

Oak Bay Council Will Not Waver in
Position on North East Sewer
Question.

The attitude of Oak Bay to the north-
east sewer impasse is defined in a short
letter which will be laid before the city
council to-night, in which the council
states that no connection will be allowed
till Saanich has paid the sum (\$9,750)
sought under the draft agreement already
forwarded to the Saanich council.

At a meeting of the three municipali-
ties' representatives held on January 5
the Oak Bay representatives refused to
change from the position formerly taken
up. When Oak Bay constructed the sewer
in 1912 it was understood Saanich
would pay its share.

The city has failed to bring the contend-
ing parties together. Saanich council
members then maintained that Saanich
would refuse to pay the claim of Oak
Bay, but would look to the city to give
it service when the stipulated sum of
\$22,000 was paid by Saanich to the city
after the passage of the necessary by-
law.

The position is a very difficult one for
people demanding sewerage facilities on
Richmond road and adjacent streets.
These people have a trunk sewer prac-
tically at their door, yet because the mat-
ter is tied up in this way they cannot
enter into any agreement, nor can the
municipality on their behalf agree with
the city on a basis of maintenance pend-
ing the submission of the by-law. It
would be useless for a temporary ar-
rangement to be made to carry sewerage
a few hundred yards through the city
and Saanich, to be caught at the Oak Bay
boundary at a low Bay road.

The agreement between the city and
Saanich was never signed, and therefore
negotiations are based on verbal recol-
lections of individual members and offi-
cials at that time.

KILLING OLD SCHOOL ON PENDER ISLAND

Sample of Political Interfer-
ence With Education Under
Present Government

One of the planks in the Liberal
platform is the removal of the edu-
cational system of the province entire-
ly under the existing administration.
An instance of how politics in school
matters works to the disadvantage of
education is being afforded just now
on Pender Island.

For years the school on that island,
which has until within the past year
been a school district, has been at
Hope Bay, this being a central point
which was easily accessible to the
children from the different parts of
the district. During the year the
council of public instruction, acting,
it is claimed, on the representations
of a strong supporter of the govern-
ment who lives in the north portion of
the island, altered the boundaries of
the district and established an assist-
ed school district, with a school at
Port Washington.

A result of this was that the delin-
quent school taxes of the Pender
island school district have reached a
large sum, and at the end of the year
the trustees resigned as a protest
against the action of the department,
which relieves from taxation all those
who live within the area taken from
it, thus reducing the revenue of the
old district and increasing the taxes
on the district if the school is to be
maintained.

A meeting was held in the school-
house on Monday last for the purpose
of electing a new board, but no nomi-
nations were forthcoming, no one in the
district being willing to take the re-
sponsibility of acquiescence in the
action of the department in this mat-
ter. The chairman of the meeting
was R. S. W. Corbett, and Alex. Cam-
lton acted as secretary.

A. H. Menzies, secretary of the
trustees, was called upon to report
the circumstances attending the pre-
sent situation and the resignation of
the board. He informed the meeting
that the delinquent taxes for 1913 were
\$81.20, for 1914 \$97.71, and for 1915
\$194.75. There was in the treasury
the sum of two dollars and there was
owing on the salary of the teachers
\$325. Mr. Menzies said he had writ-
ten to the superintendent of education
for money to pay the salary of the
teacher, and got the reply that the
board was in arrears to the amount of
\$96.40 and could get no further cash
from the department until the arrears
of school tax came in.

Mr. Menzies went on to say that the
government had recently established
an assisted school within the school
district and paid the whole of the
teacher's salary, exempting from school
taxes residents of the new district and
increasing the taxes in the old district
correspondingly. Having met the offi-
cial who recommended the opening of
the school at Port Washington, Mr.
Menzies asked him how he came to
place a new school inside the legal
radius of the old school district. The
reply was: "We got over that by re-
defining the boundaries of the Pender
island school district first."

Mr. Menzies then read the letter of
resignation of himself and colleagues,
which is as follows:
"Pender Island, Dec. 17, 1915.
"We, the undersigned trustees of the
Pender Island school district, would
respectfully resign our positions to
take effect December 31, 1915, for the
following reasons:
1. For the illegal and unwarranted
interference with the boundaries of the
Pender Island school district by the
council of public instruction since the
last annual meeting.
2. For the neglect on the part of
the government to collect and turn
over to the school board the taxes
necessary to carry on the work of the
school."
(Signed)
"THOMAS REID,
"J. A. BRACKETT,
"A. H. MENZIES,
"Secretary."

At this point the chairman called for
nominations for trustees but got no
response, although he waited for one
for some minutes.

A general discussion followed in
which a number of interesting points
were brought out. For instance, resi-
dents at Otter Bay had vainly protest-
ed against being included in the Port
Washington school district, and there
was not enough children of school age
there to warrant the opening of a new
school. The following resolution was
then moved by H. B. Harris, seconded
by E. Pollard, and carried unanimously:
"Resolved, that this meeting endorses
the course taken by the retiring board
of trustees and declares its intention of
adhering to this line of action until
such time as the government collects
the delinquent taxes and places the
school on a proper business basis."

It was moved by H. B. Harris, seconded
by W. Bowersman and carried
unanimously that copies of the minutes
of that meeting be forwarded to the
minister of education, the superintendent
of education and the leading news-
papers.

Mrs. Clarke found her little daughter
holding up a protesting kitten by the
tail. "How can you be so cruel to the
poor little thing?" cried the mother.
"I'm not being cruel," replied the
child. "Dad said last night when he
was playing cards, that there was two
shillings and ninepence in the kitty,
and I'm trying to shake it out!"

The reason why ships are not struck by
lightning is attributed to the general em-
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Annual Meeting and Election
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The members of the Ward I. Liberal
association will assemble to-night for
their annual meeting, when officers for
the coming twelve months will be elect-
ed and other business will be trans-
acted.

The meeting will be held in the Lib-
eral headquarters, Jeune block, Cor-
moran street, and will commence at 8
o'clock.
All members and those electors in
Ward I. who desire to affiliate them-
selves with the Liberal party are ask-
ed to attend this evening. H. C. Brew-
ster, leader of the Liberal party in
British Columbia, will be present.

TEMPERATURE RISES ABOVE FREEZING POINT

Cold Snap Practically Broken;
Mainland Still in Grip
of Frost

The cold snap has broken. Snow
still lies on the ground, particularly in
the down-town areas where tall build-
ings throw shadows which prevent the
warm sun from touching the packed
drifts for more than a few minutes in
the day. But there was a distinct
modification in the weather conditions
yesterday, the mercury running up to
33 degrees during the warmest period,
and again to-day at noon it touched
the same point. The minimum yester-
day was 24, the minimum to-day 30,
on the standard thermometer; on the
ground thermometer yesterday the
lowest point touched by the mercury
was 17, and to-day 24.

Showing the movement of the earth
on its axis in relation to the sun it is
worthy of note that the solo-radiation
thermometer yesterday recorded 36 de-
grees in the sun. This instrument is
a black-bulbed thermometer, kept in a
vacuum, and made for the express pur-
pose of measuring the sun's heat irrespec-
tive of local atmospheric conditions.
In midsummer this instrument records
as high as 140 degrees, and except from
a purely scientific point of view the
report has little immediate interest.
The weather continues cold on the
mainland. In Vancouver to-day the
thermometer is still hovering about the
20 above mark; at Kamloops it is 16
below zero; at Triangle Island, again,
the lowest temperature this morning is
36. On the prairies, Manitoba is the
only province showing below-zero tem-
peratures. Memphis, Tenn., reports
temperature of 14 above, and in Cali-
fornia there is a heavy storm raging
on the coast, and in the interior parts
of the state heavy rains.

NEAR FULL STRENGTH

56th Battalion Now Nearly Complete
—Recruits Arrive To-day
From Nanaimo

Within the next few days the 56th
battalion should see the organization
at full strength. On Friday last the
thousand mark was passed, and al-
most sufficient recruits were then in
view to make up the necessary num-
ber.

Lt.-Col. Rous Cullin, O.C., has come
back from Nanaimo, which he used
as headquarters while engaged in a
recruiting tour of the district during
the past week. Fourteen men from
that city are arriving this evening to
join the strength, this being in addi-
tion to seventy recruits who have al-
ready joined the 56th.
The authorization for a base com-
pany will bring the total strength of
the 56th up to 1,150 when complete,
so that although the overseas unit of
1,070 is practically made up an addi-
tional base unit will still have to be
recruited. This, however, should not
take long, and the officers are looking
forward to a battalion and base com-
pany being completed within a fort-
night.

A negro died without medical at-
tendance, and the coroner went to
investigate. Did Samuel Williams
live here? he asked the weeping
woman who answered the door.
"Yusah," she replied between sobs.
"May I see the remains?" asked the
coroner. "I is, de remains," she
answered proudly.

"So you bought one of those motor
cars they tell so many stories about?"
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BANDMASTER'S CAREER

History of Conductor of 5th Regiment
Band is Unusually Interesting

Victoria during the past eighteen
months has had a better opportunity
than ever before to become familiar
with band music. Very naturally she
is interested in the personality and
career of the bandmaster of each or-
ganization. The 5th Regiment band,
because it is the oldest military band
in the district, has undoubtedly the
greatest historical interest as an or-
ganization. At the present time it is in
a particularly efficient state, and on all
sides secures and merits encomiums of
praise on this account.

W. J. Smith, bandmaster to the 5th
Regiment band, accepted the position
in June, 1914. Although handicapped
by the war within a few weeks of tak-
ing over the conductorship he has
nevertheless, by his indomitable will
and ability succeeded in bringing the
band to the fine state of efficiency at
which it stands to-day. Bandmaster
Smith, who is a native of England, is
a cornet soloist of marked ability and
won in open contests in his homeland
no less than four first prize gold medals
and three special prize medals for cornet
playing.

Commencing at the early age of nine
years he advanced so rapidly and ac-
quired such proficiency as to entitle
him to a place in a contest that took
place when he was only eleven years



BANDMASTER SMITH

of age. He won his first gold medal as
cornet soloist at the Cumberland Musi-
cal Festival in 1904, his second gold
medal at the Worthington Band Con-
test in 1906, a third in the Burnell New-
castle-on-Tyne contest in 1909, and a
fourth at the Cumberland and Furness
contest of the same year. Two special
prizes were won at the Kewick Musi-
cal Festival in May, 1904 and 1905, when
the famous Dr. Coward was the judge,
and another special prize was secured
at the Cockerham contest in May,
1904. He played in and helped materi-
ally to win four band championship
contests at the Crystal Palace, and was
solo cornetist of the famous Hebborn
Colliery band, winners of the Crystal
Palace 1,000 guinea trophy and world's
championship.

At the age of 23 he became band-
master of the Great Clifton Prize band,
resigning that position to try his for-
tune in British Columbia. He was solo
cornetist of the 5th Regiment band for
a few months before accepting the po-
sition of bandmaster of the Nanaimo
Silver Cornet band. Finally, however,
he again returned to Victoria, and
eventually secured the position he now
so ably fills. The present excellence of
the 5th Regiment band is a very fine
justification of the credentials he holds
as a musician of skill and ability.

It is often better not to see an insult
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